

# Leaves

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## Let the Search Begin

### Presidential Search and Transition Underway

**S**trong leadership is the powerful attribute that steers Lasell as the College searches for a suitable replacement for its beloved president, Thomas E.J. de Witt, who retires next June after an impressive two-decade-long tenure.

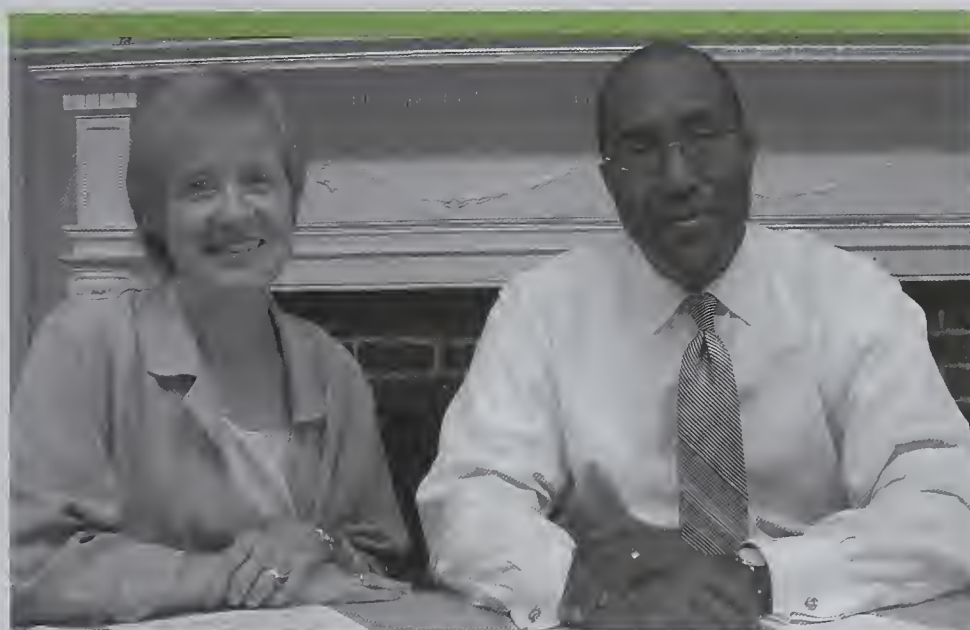
"It often is said that people are the most important part of decisions an institution makes — in short, people matter. Lasell is fortunate to have put together a Presidential Search

Committee of great talent, unique backgrounds and broad experiences," said Overseer Eric Turner, chair of the Presidential Search Committee.

"Representing every major constituency of this institution, they are dedicated and committed to the job of identifying the next leader of Lasell. They also understand the importance of this task."

According to the Chairman, "The Lasell Board of Trustees has established a thoughtful framework in which the Presidential Search Committee, the Transition Planning Committee and Isaacson, Miller, the College's newly selected search firm (see story page 2), have developed an effective search process of which we all can be proud.

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Trustee Sally Andrews, chair of the Transition Planning Committee and Overseer Eric Turner, chair of the Presidential Search Committee.

## Lasell Graduate Program Introduces Distance Learning

**A**h the power of technology!

Over the last year, Lasell College graduate students have been able to complete some of their degree requirements via distance learning thanks to the recent

implementation of hybrid and online course offerings. "Since the graduate program is designed for working professionals it is important to find ways to make our courses accessible," says Dr. Mark Sciegaj, the new Dean

of Graduate and Professional Studies. So beginning last fall the program began offering hybrid courses which met face-to-face one week with the alternating week taking place online.

"Taking a hybrid course was a terrific experience," raves Kim Menard, who's concentrating in Elder Care Administration. "You don't have pressure to get to campus every week. You still have to do the work, but it's on your own time." This made a huge difference to Menard, director of the American-International Children's Alliance and a mother of three who lives in Marblehead.

"Hybrid courses let you balance work and school," agrees Sean Mari, a support consultant at FT Interactive Data in Bedford, concentrating in Management. "Now it's much easier to do two classes a semester. You also get more involved with classmates. If you don't understand something — even if it's 10 o'clock

### Rockwell Hall



Construction is underway on the new 148-bed Rockwell Hall, the single largest student residence in Lasell's modern history. Students are scheduled to move in by September 2007 (see story on page 3).

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## Message from the President



**A**nnouncing your departure well ahead of the date can send mixed messages. Is the president anxious to leave? Ruth Shuman, dean for Institutional Advancement, had humorously suggested the following poem for my last year of birthday cards: "Roses are red, violets are blue, the tree is down and I'm out of here too!"

I opted for a more professional and personal greeting, but it still begs the question of why announce early?

The trustees had been aware of my calendar for some time, but we waited

until last spring to make the announcement. I wanted to give the College ample time to undertake a comprehensive, deliberate search, and by all evidence the process is being executed flawlessly under the thoughtful leadership of Eric Turner, former Treasurer of the Board and presently an Overseer.

By announcing early, I wanted to send a clear message that this was a deliberate, not a snap decision, but I also worried whether this made me a lame duck president.

Then I thought, "Lame Duck"? Hardly. Not my style! Lasell still has many challenges to meet in its quest to become a truly competitive New England college — and we can't wait for a new president to chart that course.

I have not slowed down (time enough for some of that in the summer of 2007), and neither have the management team or the trustees.

The external, visible transition as reflected in a revitalized, significantly expanded physical plant and student body is well underway. We need to continue to grow the resident population in order to create a more lively campus with a broad array of clubs and activi-

ties. But the toughest hurdles to becoming a selective, highly competitive institution capable of weathering unpredictable market storms are internal ones: recruiting and retaining academically stronger students, strengthening the intellectual climate and offering a greater array of courses and majors.

In this, my last year, the College is not treading water. The single largest student residence in Lasell's modern history, a 148-bed Rockwell Hall, is under construction, ready for occupancy by next fall's entering class (see story on page 3).

Working with the newly formed Auburndale Historic District Commission, which has jurisdiction over 98% of the campus, we were able to craft a compromise which preserved the historic Rockwell that houses the acclaimed nursery school program in return for permission to build the new residence.

We have developed hybrid online graduate courses and will offer a fully online master's degree in eldercare management program by 2007, which will be offered across the nation.

We also hired three top-notch faculty in Communications, Criminal Justice and Business Marketing to strengthen existing majors and are scheduled to hire four more in 2007 (probably in Sports Management, Fashion Merchandising, Economics and English) as we move closer to our goal where two-thirds of all classes are taught by full-time faculty.

As many colleges increase reliance on part-timers in response to budget pressures, we hire more full-time faculty while generating a \$1+ million surplus for the third consecutive year and growing the endowment to almost \$20 million.

We're not standing still! Innovation, the hallmark of a rich Lasell tradition, is alive on campus. Thank you for keeping the faith during the difficult years of transition.

Sincerely,

Thomas E.J. de Witt, Ph.D.

### Lasell Board Activity

## New Corporators Elected

Lasell College is pleased to welcome two new Corporators.



Jane Wadhams Hazen '49 is a member of the Wadhams family that has had many Lasell graduates. While at Lasell, Jane lived in Chandler house,

was a member of the Orphean Club, and was on many sports teams, including soccer, basketball, and volleyball. A loyal alumna, Jane still has her Lasell banner.

Married to Charles S. Hazen (Trinity College '46) in 1951, the couple has three daughters and lives in West Hartford, CT. Mr. Hazen is retired from Connecticut General Life.

Jane has served as deacon at her church, chairing a number of committees, and is in the Whitechapel Handbell Choir. She served on the board of the Wadsworth Athenaeum and has spent time volunteering at local nursing homes.



Dorothy Cooke Merchant '40 came to Lasell after a year at Colby Junior College. She lived in Cushing House and was a member of the Modern Dance Club

and crew. The *Lamp* states that "her time is well spent" and she has always been known as a woman of great spirit.

Dorothy lives in Greenwich, CT and has one daughter and two granddaughters. She was actively involved in building commercial properties and sold her real estate firm in 1985. She also has her own foundation and has supported the Greenwich Library and the American Lung Association.

A member of the Heritage Society, she donated generously to the *Lasell 150* Campaign and the Merchant Stage in de Witt Hall is named in her honor. ♥

## Firm Retained to Support the Search for Lasell College's Next President

**O**n the recommendation of the Lasell College Search Committee, chaired by Overseer Eric Turner, the nationally-known, Boston-based executive search firm of Isaacson, Miller has been retained to assist in the search for the next president of Lasell College.

"Lasell is an adept, modern institution that deserves and requires innovative leadership. With the help of Isaacson, Miller, we will find a strong leader with the vision and experience to take this institution to the next level," said Chairman Turner.

Isaacson, Miller ([www.imsearch.com/](http://www.imsearch.com/)) — with offices in Boston, Washington, D.C. and San Francisco — counts among its clients small, liberal arts colleges, leading research universities, K-12 educational institutions, healthcare organizations, foundations, cultural institutions, and human service endeavors. Focused on the independent sector, with a specialty in higher education, Isaacson, Miller has substantial experience in conducting searches for liberal arts college leadership. In the last two years, Isaacson, Miller has completed presidential searches for 11 institutions of higher education. For more information relating to Lasell's Presidential Search, please visit [www.lasell.edu/presidential\\_transition](http://www.lasell.edu/presidential_transition). ♥

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## Compromise Enables Building to Proceed

# Construction Begins on new Rockwell Residence Hall

In spite of the fact that Lasell has built four residence halls in the past five years, there continues to be a shortage of beds on campus. For the 2005 academic year, 60 students spent their first semester living at the Holiday Inn on Grove Street in Auburndale. As appealing as maid service and room service might be to the students, the College would much prefer to have everyone living on campus. As a result of the College working cooperatively with the Auburndale Historic District, Lasell is closer to its goal. A new 148-bed residence hall is under construction on a site next to the Holway Child Study Center at Rockwell.

The building, currently being called Rockwell Hall, is the first project to be brought before the Auburndale Historic District Commission (AHDC) by the College since the creation of the historic district in May 2005. Any new construction, or modification to existing buildings that can be seen from a public way, must be approved by the AHDC. If the Commission determines that the building design fits within the characteristics of the neighborhood, they issue a "Certificate of Appropriateness" — the

first step before applying for a building permit from the City of Newton.

The process got off to a rocky start when the AHDC would not allow the representatives from Lasell to attend a meeting to which they were invited to informally present the plans for this project. What followed was an extraordinarily cooperative process between Lasell and the AHDC. The Commission scheduled extra meetings to make sure a College deadline was met so that the Board of Trustees could vote on this project at their meeting on January 30, 2006. Ruth Shuman, dean for Institutional Advancement, Thomas Koerber, director of Facilities and Public Safety, and architect John Pears, from Steffian Bradley Architects (SBA) attended every meeting of the Commission when this project was on the agenda. Neighbors and commissioners alike offered invaluable design recommendations to make the building fit appropriately on the site.

Lasell took advantage of some new technology that allowed the architect to create a virtual tour of the new building and all surrounding buildings and vege-

tation. It was possible to view the new building from any house abutting the project to see what would be visible to the homeowner in both the winter and the summer. SBA was also able to modify the dimensions of the building in "real time" so that the commissioners could immediately see the impact the changes would have on the site.

The original plan called for two 102-bed dormitories. One to be built now and the second to be built after the city approved the demolition of the old Rockwell building next May. Instead, the College proposed a 148-bed residence hall and a promise not to demolish the old Rockwell for a generation. The Commission, which clearly hopes to preserve and not demolish buildings with historic significance, and the City were thrilled with the College's compromise.

On April 28, Newton Mayor David Cohen and Lasell President Thomas de Witt signed the papers agreeing to the joint compromise. As soon as the preservation agreement was signed, the Certificate of Appropriateness went into effect.



Mayor David Cohen, Lasell President Thomas de Witt and John Rodman, chairman of the Newton Historic Commission, sign the compromise agreement that allows the construction of Rockwell Hall.

It looks like the College set the standards for institutions in Auburndale which will be coming before the AHDC. "I'm very hopeful that we've turned the corner, and moving forward we'll be able to work well together," said Dean Shuman.

"This was more expeditious than we initially thought," concurred President de Witt. "Construction on the building began in July and we are looking forward to Rockwell Hall being occupied in September 2007." 🍀

## The Reverend Professor Peter J. Gomes Sends Lasell's 2006 Graduates Off With Wisdom and Humor



The Reverend Professor Peter J. Gomes marches into Commencement.

The Reverend Professor Peter J. Gomes, whom *Time* magazine called one of the top seven preachers in America, gave the 210 members of the class of 2006 and their families a good-natured 'what for,' Sunday, May 21,

2006, at the 152nd commencement of Lasell College.

In a charmingly wry speech that included quotes from Dr. Seuss and Alice in Wonderland, Reverend Gomes extolled his listeners to "learn from failure and to take on impossible things.

"I'm very much aware of what my duties are today and, to some degree, they are easy to fulfill. My job is to talk. Yours is to listen. If you finish your job before I finish mine, I hope you will be kind enough to wait until I finish mine," he teased as he offered his unique brand of pep talk to graduates and their families, who rewarded the renowned Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in The Memorial Church at Harvard with cheers and an extended standing ovation.

Quoting from Alice Roosevelt Longworth, Teddy Roosevelt's daughter, whose philosophy was simply, 'fill what's empty, empty what's full, and

scratch what itches,' Reverend Gomes said, "Some will find this the most useful thing you have heard here — not just today, but over the course of four and in some cases five and six years.

"College never looks better than within the hour of leaving it," he suggested. "You are going out into a very screwed up world," he said in a deeply resonant voice. "I want to be the first to tell you that it's really messed up and that your parents had a great hand in messing it up. You will spend a term's tuition just getting your gas tank filled!

"We have tenure," he said of himself and the faculty that sat behind him in full academic regalia. "Thank God for tenure! That means we never have to face reality. But you do. You may be tempted to take the advice of George Plimpton who is said to have given the best commencement speech ever. He looked at the graduates as I look at you and he said, 'Don't go.'

"But you must go," Gomes said, urging graduates to find the impossible tasks ahead of them and take them on with zeal. "We do not need any more dull and tedious people in the world. Do the impossible with your minds, with your hands, with your talents, and with your gifts.

"I want to suggest that the glory and the joy of life is living and believing in things that most people see as impossible," Gomes told his audience.

"Live interesting, risky, dangerous, creative lives. Live a life not wasted. That is the greatest hope of all. Find something worth doing. Do crazy things that don't make sense in the real, cold, rational world in which we live. Love your neighbor, do a good turn daily, save your money, spend it wisely, embrace strangers, prefer peace to war, don't trust people who lie, and don't lie yourself." 🍀



### Alumni and Villagers Share Experiences

## American Civilization Students Get First Hand Historical Accounts

“My hope was to set up a project that would create pen-pals across history,” says History Professor Denny Frey about the research he asked his American Civilization students to undertake this spring. “By putting students in touch with alumni and Villagers to get their historical perspective, I felt they would see that textbooks only give a broad brush stroke to events. I wanted them to speak with individuals who personally saw and made changes happen.”

The class focused this connected learning research project on the period from the 1929 Depression through the end of the Cold War and the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. They were to concentrate on the everyday life and experiences of “ordinary” Americans, using not only primary and secondary sources, but also to complete an oral history component by carrying out a series of conversations with individuals who had lived through the events.

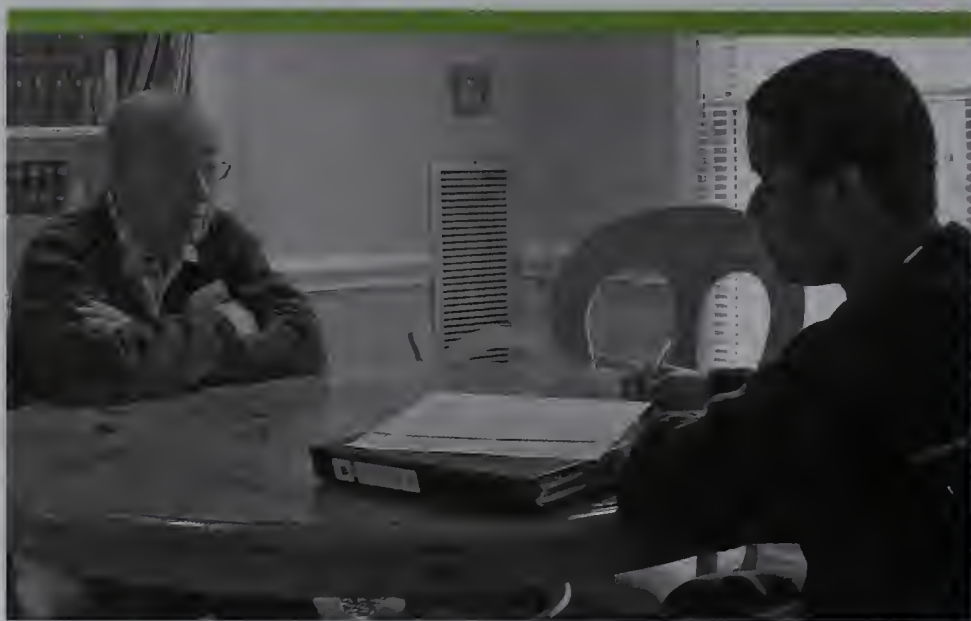
“I wanted the students to discover what the living conditions were like during these years, what kind of jobs were available, what education was like,” says Professor Frey. “I sent out an email to alumni who were suggested to me by the Alumni Relations Office,

asking them if they would be willing to be interviewed by members of my class. I was overwhelmed by the positive response.”

“I found the experience thought provoking,” says Carole K. Bellew ’65. “As we exchanged emails with the students and other alums, it was interesting to see what areas were zeroed in on. The project was an excellent way to connect alumni to Lasell.”

“I worked with five other students in a team,” says Amanda Miller ’09, “and we concentrated on the Cold War. One of the alumni we spoke with put us in touch with friends that she thought would be particularly helpful. I was so impressed by the amount of time people gave to us.

“I received a detailed three-page email from a man recalling what life was like in the ’70s and ’80s. I was particularly struck by his talking about how much the government and politicians wanted people to fear and hate communists. I was also touched when he talked about Vietnam, remembering classmates who lost brothers, and his listening to Walter Cronkite bringing the war into everyone’s home. It’s not very different from what is happening today.”



Villager Aaron Wasserman talks with Ivan Gonzalez ’09 about life during World War II.

Being able to talk with the Villagers face-to-face about their life experiences also made a huge impact on the students. When Robert Corr ’09 and Christine Lyons ’07 met with Villager Dottie Lambert they discovered they were talking to an activist who felt very strongly that after World War II women needed equal opportunities in the workplace. “She is a woman who is willing to fight for change and who feels there is so much more to accomplish,” says Christine.

“As the students gave their final reports, it was evident that hearing about people’s life experiences caused the students to be more empathetic and more socially aware,” says Professor Frey. “It made them reflect on their role in society and what it is to be a truly responsible community member.”

### Making Math Accessible to Children

## Two Lasell Students Start *America Counts* Program



Lisa Yong ’07 and Jessica Olivier ’08 discuss possible math workbooks.

“I’ve been involved with the *America Reads* program since I arrived at Lasell,” says Lisa Yong ’07, “and one thing I’ve learned is that children have as much trouble with math as they do with reading. Math seems scary, but the ability to think logically and problem solve are skills we use everyday.”

Lisa and Jessica Olivier ’08 have both been volunteers with *America Reads* at Boston’s Renaissance Charter School and have formed a close relationship with Jessica Dugan, the school’s Director of Community and Business Partnerships. “Our thought was to start a math program at Renaissance for

children from K through Five based on the *America Reads* model,” explains Lisa. “We were thrilled when Jessica said the school would be happy to back us.”

The team of two let no moss grow under their feet. “We were excited from day one!” exclaims Jessica. “We put together a plan and presented it to Vice President for Academic Affairs Jim Ostrow and Education Department Chair Catherine Zeek and both were enthusiastic. We knew we were on the right track.”

Working within a budget, the two began to put together materials and enlisted the aid of Lasell Mathematics Professor Neil Hatem who offered to help with the training of the volunteers. “We looked at worksheets with him and he showed us how to start a master notebook. He also emphasized that we should have fun activities and lots of math jokes at our fingertips,” says Lisa. “I guess I need to find out why six is afraid of seven.”

“I’m an Elementary Education major and teaching will be my profession,” explains Jessica. “To have this opportunity to work with the young students, identify their areas of weakness, watch them progress, and see their confidence grow is going to be both personally and professionally rewarding for me.”

Lisa and Jessica have a goal of mid-October for the start date for *America Counts*. They hope to begin the pilot project with six tutors and will begin their training as soon as possible. “Until we start we won’t know what works and what doesn’t work,” says Lisa, “but we’re looking forward to working one-on-one with these children to give them a leg up with their math skills.”



## Connected Learning

### Building a Strong Foundation Over Alternative Spring Break

## Lasell Students Travel to Washington State to Work with Habitat for Humanity



The group gathers in front of their Habitat house. Back Row (L to R): Jennifer Hawkins '08, Christopher Roy '07, Donna McIntyre '09, Kathleen Fenelius '07, Art Professor Annee Scott, Jennifer Boyd '06, Kianna Gooden '06. Middle Row (L to R) Vista Volunteer Melissa Martin, Chelsea Comeau '08, Maria Montefusco '08, Charles Feeley '08. Front Row (L to R) Jacqueline Janda '08, Lisa Yong '07, Jessica Olivier '08.

"Let's get the siding up...Could you help me dig the footing for these stairs?" These are not phrases typically heard among college students over their spring break. But the 13 Lasell students who headed out to LaConner, in Washington's Skagit Valley, were not an ordinary group.

The Lasell "construction" team was accompanied by the College's AmeriCorps\*Vista volunteer Melissa Martin and Art Professor Annee Scott. "Everyone worked side-by-side on an equal footing and, being older, I was so pleased to be able to keep up," laughs Professor Scott. "By the end of the week an incredible bond had formed between all of us. I'm totally hooked and hope to be able to participate next year."

When the group arrived in LaConner, they were greeted by their Habitat host, Marsha Belmont. "She was incredibly welcoming and made it so easy for us to fit into the community," recalls Melissa. "As the week went on she would pick out individuals to 'help' her on tasks, but it was really her way of taking us to different neighborhoods, so that by the time we left we felt we really knew the area."

Last spring, Lasell worked with Habitat in Immokalee, FL but "this was a different experience," says Lisa Yong '07. "In Florida we worked on several houses, so we were spread out and didn't see much of each other. This year, we were all working on the same house which made us pull together. We could see it grow because of our efforts and we felt we were really helping the woman whose house it was going to be. She was an abused mother of two boys and Habitat worked with her to see how she envisioned the house."

Seven or eight volunteers from the area who were familiar with construction were the backbone of the project. They had been there since the beginning and "they were stand-offish when we arrived," recalls Jessica Olivier '08. "One of the things I valued most was getting to know them and earning their respect. Lester was 80-years-old and he was in better shape than all of us. His age didn't keep him from having an incredible spark!"

In the evenings the Lasell group would get together and reflect on the day. Melissa instituted individual "affirmation bags." Each member of the group would write a daily note sharing something positive they had noticed about a particular person. "When you're tired it is great to read something wonderful that someone has written about you," recalls Professor Scott. "It made us appreciate each other and it's a wonderful way to keep memories."



There were no injured fingers for this hammering group. Back to front: Professor Annee Scott, Kianna Gooden '06, Donna McIntyre '09, and Jennifer Boyd '06.

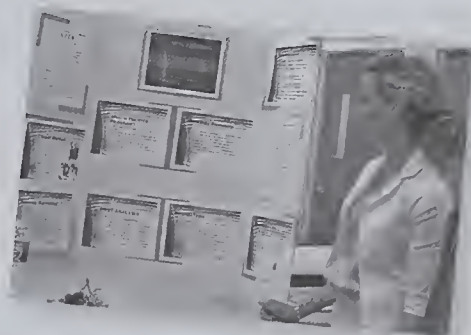
### What a Week It Was

## Connected Learning Symposium

This year marked the fifth anniversary of Lasell's Connected Learning Symposium Week, which was held from May 1 - 6. There were back-to-back exhibits and presentations that showcased students' work: members of the Honors Program reviewed special projects that they had been involved in, students from a variety of disciplines discussed research projects that they had undertaken, national and international service learning experiences were shared, topics in justice and law were covered, the variety of internships undertaken was revealed, and the annual Fashion Show ("Boston Rocks Fashion") was the finale.

Of particular note this year was a poster session and demonstrations that filled

the entire Brennan Library ground floor. This included audio visual presentations, electronic portfolios, posters, and graphics that were showcased by faculty and students from many different disciplines. Presentations ranged from the VITA program, to the aging process, from learning spaces' effects upon teaching, to substance abuse. A performance by the Lasell Blues Chorus gave the event a festive air.





## Crossing the Age and Memory Divide

### Psychology Students Work With Patients at Chetwynde Rehabilitation Center

"I have never been face-to-face with someone who has Alzheimers," says Vanessa Mercado '07 as she reflects on the collaborative project that her Biological Basis of Behavior class participated in at the Chetwynde Health and Rehabilitation Center in Newton. "I was pretty scared at first, but soon realized that they're people just like everyone else. After we finished, I looked at life in a different way."

"Brain based topics can be intimidating for students," says Professor Amy Wagenfeld, "and prior to our project at Chetwynde, only two of my students had ever been to a nursing home before. I was looking for a way to combine classroom with a 'real life' learning experience that would both alleviate

anxiety with regard to work with the elderly and also empower students to link their intellectual knowledge with a real world experience. I was delighted to be able to plan a collaborative connected learning program with Chetwynde's Activities Director Allison Caplin."

The students worked in small groups to put together activities directed towards music and motor skills and sensory and memory skills. The program they devised involved two visits to the Center over a two-week period.

"When preparing for going to Chetwynde, our class made sure we were ready for anything that might happen during our activities," says Emma Young '07. "I helped plan and



(L to R) Psychology Professor Felice Gordis, Sarah Williams '07, and Shannon Garvey '07 demonstrate the Wonder Balloon game played with the Chetwynde residents.



The Chetwynde group pauses for a photo. Back row (L to R) Professor Amy Wagenfeld, Mabel Valenzuela '07, Shannon Garvey '07, Jenna DeFrancesco '06, Hafsa Lewis '07, Angela Piranosian '07, Vanessa Mercado '07. Front row (L to R) Sarah Williams '07, Emma Young '07, Chetwynde Activities Director Allison Caplin, Janelle Baptiste '07.

implement sensory activities. We thought if we brought many different items to smell, taste, and touch something might trigger a memory. One of the residents I worked with could not tell me what she smelled but she smiled after some of the smells. It was extremely satisfying to know she could smile and be responsive to me."

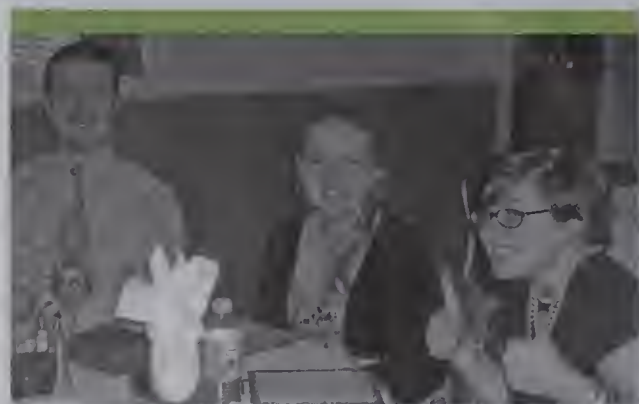
All the activities seemed to bring happiness and a sense of excitement to the residents. Among their favorites were doing the *Hokey Pokey*, singing *You are My Sunshine*. "They were comforted by holding our hands and singing with us," recalls a student, "and enjoyed tasting and identifying food with their eyes closed. They loved the strawberries!"

"It is so powerful for students to move beyond the textbook," says Activities Director Caplin. "Just reading theory doesn't dispel the fears some students might have. It's so important to have an actual experience and the residents loved the energy they brought to the Center."

"During our experiences at Chetwynde, we all learned a little something we can take with us for the rest of our lives," recalls Shannon Garvey '06. "I learned how much of an impact I can have on someone and how exciting it is to see someone really enjoy your company. I saw how unique and special each resident was, an appreciation I can take with me for the rest of my life." ♥

## An Evening of Smiles

### The Student Awards Banquet



Communications Professor Brian Wardyga sits with a happy Donna McIntyre '09 and Erica Desautels '09.



(L to R) Lasell Bowl award winners Kianna Gooden '06, Valerie Pierre '06, John Colby Gorniewicz '06, and Christina DeLuca '08. Missing: Cathee Hill '07 and Elizabeth Landon '06 and Lasell Chair winner Aida Mejia '06.



(L to R) Tabatha Torres '07, Christhela Cordero '07, Shawn Proctor '06 and Mercedes Garcia-Bancroft '08, members of the executive board of Multicultural Student Union, the Club/Organization of the year.



## Far Horizons

# Scope of Study Abroad Sites Expands

In the upcoming months, Lasell students will be found in such far away places as Dubai, China, Mexico, and Italy. Samantha Billington '06 spent the winter of her senior year in Papua New Guinea (see story p. 8) and Kelly Hall '08 spent last fall living with a family in Salamanca, Spain.

"The groundwork was in place when I took over Study Abroad," says Program Director Tessa LeRoux. "What better job is there — encouraging students to find rigorous overseas programs that also expose them to a wide variety of cultures. I spent four days at the American Intercontinental University (AIU) in London and was so impressed. Their faculty is outstanding and they also offer fantastic internships."



(L to R) Kristina Galley '07 and Gabby Praino '07 decide to phone home from London.

During the fall of 2005, eight students took advantage of AIU in London. Fashion Design and Production major Krystal Molinari '07 spent four months there. "My experience completely changed me," she says. "It was so motivating. The professors were incredibly enthusiastic and they all were employed in the fashion industry. In my accessories class I worked closely with Tracey Speige, a milliner from Paris who had been with Gucci, Saint Laurent, and other famous design houses. Under her guidance I made a couture hat by hand and I included it in Lasell's spring fashion show."

Kristina Galley '07 not only took classes in London, but also had an internship with Turkish clothing designer Bora Aksu. "It was a small company, which is just what I wanted. I was exposed to all sides of the business, from cutting patterns, to sewing garments, to doing public relations, and researching the competition.

"I feel the experience improved the quality of my work and it certainly raised my standards. The internship showed me how the industry works. I know that they appreciated my efforts and they were always willing to give me valuable advice."

Besides London, AIU also has a campus in Dubai, which is the first American-accredited university in the Gulf region. International Business major Georges Fadel '08 is spending this fall there and will be at the University of Veracruz, Mexico for his spring semester.

"Life is an adventure. I have always wanted to learn about other cultures," Georges explains. "I am originally from Lebanon and so I represent an Arabic country, but I don't feel Arabic. I want to live in the culture so that I can grow to understand it."

Georges speaks four languages (English, Arabic, French and Spanish) but the business classes that he will be taking will all be given in English. "I want to see and meet people from as many countries as possible. In international business you must be a leader and learn how to communicate both linguistically and mentally. I want to be prepared."

Students who are involved in extra curricular activities on campus have found that enrolling in a summer program abroad is an excellent way to have an overseas experience. Fashion Design and Production major Sarah Schlegel '07 didn't want to miss any of her Lasell classes or the lacrosse season. She went to London for a 10-week summer internship, organized by AIU, and worked for Bodas, a catalog lingerie company. "I learned their way of business and their view of America. They were dying to hear my interpretation of Victoria's Secret," she laughs.

Several students learned of summer programs through the Study Abroad Fair that is held at Lasell in the fall.



Krystal Molinari '07 models the silk brocade couture hat she created and hand stitched for her accessories class at AIU in London.

Criminal Justice major Amanda Wasowski '06 found herself talking to the representative from Lynn University in Florida. "I never thought it would be possible for me to study abroad but I found out about a nine-week summer internship at the American College in Dublin. I have always been curious about how foreign systems of law differ from that in the U.S. This was an opportunity I couldn't resist," she explains.

Shawna Kelly '07 spent five weeks in Syracuse, Sicily. "At the Study Abroad Fair, I seemed to be magnetically drawn to the Mediterranean School of Arts and

Sciences representative," she recalls. "I'm a Legal Studies major with a Math minor but I couldn't resist the opportunity to spend a summer just enriching myself. I took Italian and a biology class that introduced me to Mediterranean ecosystems. It was fascinating."

"Talking to the students when they return from overseas is another perk of this job," says Director LeRoux. "The experience adds to their world understanding and by sharing what they have learned with their classmates they encourage others to apply for a semester abroad. My door is always open." ♥



Students attend the study abroad fair to explore different programs.



### A World Away

## Samantha Billington '06 Student Teaches in Papua New Guinea

The small village of Ukarumpa, Papua New Guinea (PNG) is about as far away geographically and culturally as you can get from Boston, MA. But, for three months it was home for Child Development/Early Childhood Education major Samantha Billington '06.

"Missionaries from PNG came to my church in Eastford, CT and did a presentation on the work they were doing. I said to myself, 'That's amazing!' When I heard that there were student teachers at the Ukarumpa Center, I knew right away that this was something that I wanted to do," exclaims Samantha.

It took more than a year of perseverance to make her dream come true. One of the biggest hurdles was getting the Massachusetts Department of Education to give her credit for teaching abroad. "There's a little bit of

had never been in a third world country before and I certainly have never lived in such a small town," Samantha exclaims.

The school at the Ukarumpa center is very international. It was established for the families of the missionaries and a few PNG nationals attend as well. "My kindergarten class was made up of five to eight year olds. The children are tested and put into grades by ability, not age. We used an Australian curriculum that is more advanced than ours. In kindergarten, children are already reading and writing."

As she settled in to her routine, Samantha was given more and more responsibility by Jo Miller, her head teacher, and she also helped one of the special needs teachers with writing lessons. "I had never worked in a class-



*Samantha Billington '06 and her young students are all smiles.*

"Getting to know some of the PNG nationals was very special. We had a 'haus meri' who cleaned and took care of us. She was an extraordinary woman and she loved helping us improve our pidgin. I also became close with a woman, Dimeko, who worked at the school and she invited us to her village. The people live in wood and straw huts and there is always a fire burning in the middle of the floor. We went back to the village a few weeks later for a mumu, a huge feast where the food is cooked in the ground with fire and hot stones."

Traveling anywhere in PNG was not easy. "The roads are dirt and I was there in the rainy season when they were especially impassable. Walking short distances was equally troublesome. Hiking through slippery mud that

almost reached my ankles in a skirt was a challenge. Most of the time I would just give up on wearing shoes because it was easier to rinse off my feet than to get all the mud off my sandals," she laughs.

Looking back on her three months, Samantha knows that it is the people that she will miss most. "The children would just arrive at my house in the afternoon and want to play. I would see them everywhere and spent a lot of time with their families as well. It was a community where everyone supported each other and where education was highly valued. I can't explain how different it was and what a learning experience I had. If all goes well, I would very much like to return." ♥

flexibility in the requirements," explains Education Department Chair Catherine Zeek, "but it was Samantha who really took the initiative and organized everything. I was glad to be able to back her up. Experiencing a multicultural, multinational, and multilingual setting is irreplaceable and will stand Samantha in good stead no matter where she teaches."

Although Samantha and the three other students who were accepted into the Summer Institute of Linguistics program received some training during their four-day stop over in New Zealand en route to PNG, it didn't fully prepare her for what lay ahead. "We learned some of the cultural do's and don'ts, had some language training in Melanesian pidgin, and were told what would be expected of us. But I

room all day, every day, and I gained an enormous amount of experience. Eventually, Jo trusted me to run the class by myself and I discovered that I really like being a full-time teacher."

Samantha was also able to visit a national government run school and saw how different a local school was from the Center's. "There were three classrooms with approximately 40 children in each class. The buildings were very old and one was just a long bamboo hut. The materials the teachers were using were also antiquated. Classes are taught in pidgin and I was pleased to be able to understand most of what they were saying."

Outside of the classroom there was no end to Samantha's learning experiences.



*Samantha (far left) and three fellow teachers visit the home of Dimeko, who worked at the Ukarumpa school.*



# Lasell Appoints Dr. Mark Sciegaj Dean of Graduate and Professional Studies

**M**ark Sciegaj, who serves as director of the Fuss Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational Studies at Lasell College, has been named Dean of Graduate and Professional Studies.

The Lasell appointment was announced by Academic Vice President Jim Ostrow, who said, "under Mark's recent leadership, we have expanded the Graduate program with new concentrations, certificate programs, online course offerings, and a five-year program option for qualified Lasell undergraduates. We are excited to have Mark at the helm of our graduate program."

Dr. Sciegaj is Associate Professor of Management and Public Policy in the Department of Education and Research at Lasell Village. He holds a B.A. degree from Bethany College, a M.P.H. degree from Emory University, and a Ph.D. degree from Brandeis University. His areas of specialization are aging and intergenerational studies.

"There is a feeling of common purpose at Lasell, a sense that everyone really is a partner in the process of educating students, with a genuine concern about putting together a quality academic program. The result is that the College

provides the best possible product," he says of the institution.

Active professionally, Mark Sciegaj was recently elected president of the Massachusetts Gerontology Association, which brings together researchers, practitioners, and public policy makers in Massachusetts to create dialogue on critical issues related to aging and to facilitate the transfer of knowledge from academic research to day-to-day practice. 🍷



Dr. Mark Sciegaj.

## "Chroma Key" Shoots, Shotgun Microphones, Nonlinear Editing Advanced Communication Courses Are High Tech and Hands On



Keya Anderson '06 shoots a commercial.

**M**ove over Sundance and Cannes. In May, the first ever Lasell Student Film Festival showed short films, commercials, and documentaries produced and directed by students in Professor Brian Wardyga's Advanced Video Production class and they were high caliber. Using the high tech equipment that is now available in Brennan's Gregorian Multimedia Lab classroom, the digital videography and the effective use of light, color, space, motion, and sound was of professional quality.

"Do the Dew" shouts an ad, as a Mountain Dew can flies across the screen and then freezes in mid-air. "The students had a lot of fun with

this and I was tremendously pleased with the sound effects and the visuals that they used," recalls Professor Wardyga. "It was part of the TV commercial project where students were provided storyboards and then worked in small production crews to produce a client-accurate 30-second, edited television spot."

The students were next asked to produce a documentary about Lasell's connected learning philosophy. Partnered into four groups, they profiled students who had been particularly involved with connected learning projects during the year.

"It gave the class the opportunity to use three-point lighting, lavalier microphones, and to edit using digital pictures and b-roll footage," explains Professor Wardyga. "And, while interviewing students about connected learning, they were actually experiencing it. This was hands on education. It was a lot of work and was real-world tough."

The same can be said of the TV Studio Production course. The class met once a week for two and a half hours at NewTV, the Newton cable channel. Students learned pre-production planning, live-to-tape directing, and participated with a full television crew to produce high quality programming for air on the local access educational channel.

"It's easy to learn things in theory," says Keya Anderson '06, "but at NewTV we were running real equipment and

practicing applications. We worked in teams and rotated positions so that we were exposed to every aspect, including supervising the control room, and directing live-to-tape segments of a program. It was very involved and we had to get the jargon down. It was so quick — like microwave time. It helped me understand the inner workings and connect all the dots. I learned to believe in myself and my abilities. It was the ultimate connected learning experience!"

"Both the Advanced Video Production and Basic TV Studio Production classes are intense," agrees Professor Wardyga. "By learning to be familiar with equipment and programming software that is used by professionals, the students have developed portfolios that will be of great value when pursuing careers. The group synergy in both classes was exceptional and that contributed to the students' success." 🍷



(L to R) Bao Tran '06 handles the microphone, while Dennis Silva '07 holds the slate and Keya Anderson '06 directs behind the camera.



## Campus Update

Lasell and Auburndale Neighbors Work Together

### Outdoor Community Classroom to be Created in Redesigned Vest Pocket Park



*The sketch for the proposed outdoor intergenerational community classroom.*

It is unusual to have a project be supported by an entire community, but the proposed outdoor community classroom that is to be constructed where the historic Auburndale train station once stood has done just that. “There is tremendous excitement and support for this project,” says Lasell’s Chief Information Officer Deborah Gelch, who is also co-president of Newton’s Williams School PTO. “It has brought the neighbors, Lasell, and the Williams School together and it has now received the support of Newton’s Community Preservation Committee.

The park will be located in a corner of the Williams School playground and will invigorate what is now an unattractive and underutilized space. “We visualize it as a destination point for Auburndale’s diverse population to congregate, read, stroll, learn, contemplate, play, and enjoy nature’s offerings in a peaceful surrounding,” says Deborah.

The proposed open-air structure and landscape will reflect the former historic Romanesque style train station of Auburndale, which was designed by H. H. Richardson and landscaped by F. L. Olmsted. The structure was known as the “best American example of the combination of architecture and landscape architecture,” (*Garden and Forest Magazine*, spring 1889) and unfortunately was torn down in 1962 due to the Mass Pike extension project.

“We see the space as a location for intergenerational classroom activities, concerts, hands-on science experiments, art and music lectures and exhibits, and various activities associated with the Williams School’s curriculum,” explains Deborah. “The Lasell Village pen pal project is an integral part of the school’s course of study and we envision the park as a place where the Villagers and their young friends can get together.”

Each month, fifth graders write a letter to their Village “pal” about a topic that they are discussing in class. They might ask the Villager what it was like to live through a war, or through the depression. The Villagers provide the children with positive role models, give them new cultural and historical perspectives, and make the fifth graders better appreciate the legacy that seniors have created for them.

“The proposed park is a model for how connecting generations can strengthen communities,” says Dr. Mark Sciegaj, director of Lasell’s RoseMary B. Fuss Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational Studies. “We believe that by bringing generations together to meet the needs of individuals and families throughout the life cycle, people from every generation will benefit.”



*The original Auburndale Train Station, which was designed by H. H. Richardson, serves as the model for the building at the new Vest Pocket Park.*

### Presidential Search and Transition Underway

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“We thank all those who have offered suggestions to the Search Committee to date and encourage others who have ideas about the process or suggestions of specific candidates to contact us. We will continue to keep the Lasell community informed of our activities. We are making every effort to secure the best leadership for this remarkable institution.”

Trustee Sally Andrews, who chairs the Transition Planning Committee, adds: “The Transition Planning Committee was established specifically to support the Search Committee and to assume responsibility for all the other aspects of the transition, from establishing and managing the Search and Transition website through the appropriate celebrations for Tom de Witt to, ultimately, the inauguration of Lasell’s next president.

“We have all been impressed — although not surprised — by the enthusiastic response of the Lasell community to our requests for help with this work. The presidential transition is the most significant strategic issue to face the College in perhaps the last 20 years, the last time a new president was selected. That process will have far reaching consequences for the College for many years to come and we want to make sure we do the best job possible in managing it.”

Please visit the Lasell Presidential Search website ([www.Lasell.edu/presidential\\_transition](http://www.Lasell.edu/presidential_transition)) frequently to stay informed about activities related to the search.

### Lasell Village’s Newest Residence Opens Its Doors

On June 9, Lasell Village’s newest building, named after educator and anthropologist Margaret Meade, opened its doors and the residents moved in shortly thereafter. The building has 17 apartments and the new arrivals come from as far away as Austin, Texas, Tamarac, Florida, and Rehovot, Israel.

As part of the Village’s “living and learning” philosophy, the Meade building has a “smart” classroom and will host a series of intergenerational classes for Lasell students and Villagers.



*The Meade Building.*



### Lasell Graduate Program Introduces Distance Learning

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Sunday night — you can post a question and someone always responds.”

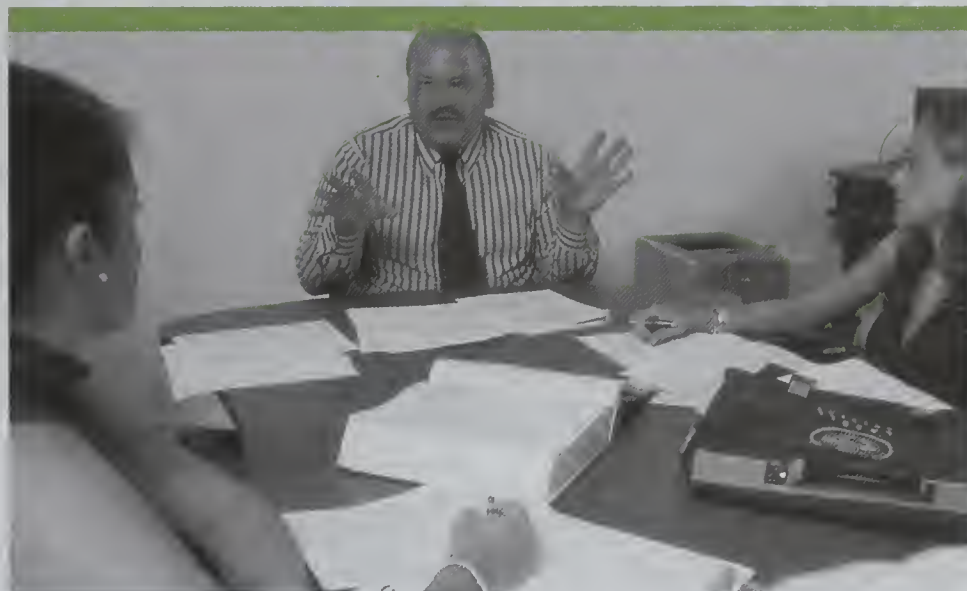
“Hybrids allow students to learn from each other,” notes Dr. Nancy Waldron, assistant professor in the graduate program. “As a teacher, I feel I get to know students better in my hybrid classes. I can see what they’re learning and where questions come up to better tailor the classroom experience. I’ve also been fascinated with the level of interaction online.”

Buoyed by the student responses to the hybrid courses the program offered its first online courses this summer. In an online course students can “attend” classes, interact with faculty and classmates, submit assignments and access reading assignments through the Internet in an exciting, interactive, technology-mediated instruction model that can be used in a variety of ways. Through the magic of the Internet, students who go out of the country, are on the road for business, or travel away for vacation can have access to course materials and keep abreast of assignments and readings along with their classmates.

Distance learning is not just for the technologically savvy. “It’s very user friendly,” says Waldron. “I was actually a little nervous and a bit intimidated before I started my on-line course,” says Tracy Nigro ’92 who works in the finance department of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, “but I found it very simple to figure out how to use and very convenient since I work full-time. I also feel very involved in this class — as if I was in a classroom setting.”

“At first I was concerned the learning experience wouldn’t be as rich,” says Menard. “What I found is that both the online and hybrid class experiences were richer than traditional courses.” According to Phillip Pla, a national account manager for SC Johnson, who took two online courses at the same time, “Some of the discussions went so much more in depth than they are in a regular class.”

Trustee RoseMary B. Fuss who participated in an online faculty training course in June notes, “I associated online learning with my idea of a correspondence class which lacked academic vigor and credibility but



*Dr. Mark Sciegaj teaching a hybrid course, combining both classroom and online participation.*

after completing my courses I now see how it can be just as rigorous as the traditional class.”

“In the first semester with hybrid courses the graduate program saw a 33 percent increase in credit hours registered” according to Sciegaj, “and the online courses boosted the credit hours registered by 48 percent.”

Mark Sciegaj expects that by September 2007, Lasell students will be able to complete the MSM online if they so choose.

For more information about Lasell’s graduate program, go to [www.lasell.edu](http://www.lasell.edu). ☺

## Evelyn Murphy Urges Audience to ‘Get Even’ in the War of Wages Fought by Women

**F**ormer Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Murphy — the first woman in Massachusetts state history to hold statewide office — is on a mission to bring true parity to women’s paychecks. Murphy is the author of *Getting Even: Why Women Don’t Get Paid Like Men — And What to Do About It*, published by Simon & Schuster.

The trained economist, who served as executive vice president of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Massachusetts and is a corporate director of SBLI USA Mutual Life Insurance Bank of America, came to Lasell as the guest speaker for the Donahue Institute for Values and Public Life. She addressed a packed gathering of students in de Witt Hall on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, shocking many by reporting that women will lose between \$700,000 and \$2 million over their working lifetimes simply because of gender.

“Women earn 77 cents to men’s \$1,” she reports, and that compares full-time working women to full-time working men, apples to apples.”

The firebrand Murphy, who took a run for the Massachusetts governorship before “being retired” to the private sector, as she playfully describes her failed run, talked about wage discrimination and how it impacts not simply women, but husbands and families who are being deprived of an equal wage for the work done by wife and mother.

“If you’re a woman, over your working lifetime you will lose — simply because of your sex. Is that fair? No. Can it be stopped? Absolutely,” she maintained, though the road toward wage equality is a rocky one filled with obstacles.

As she reports in her book, “Back in the 1960s, when I started working full-time as a newly minted Ph.D. economist, women earned 59 cents for every dollar earned by men.

“At the time, I accepted the common explanation that the gender wage gap existed because of a ‘merit gap.’ Women, this theory went, were not as well educated as men, hadn’t worked as long, or were working in low-skill,

stopgap jobs until they got married while men were working at higher-end jobs as family breadwinners.

“But this ‘merit gap’ was closing. Women were streaming into colleges and jobs. Like many observers, I was convinced that the wage gap would soon close.”

The reality of the workplace yielded another reality, however. For a couple of decades, the gender wage gap did narrow. By the early 1990s, women were making 77 cents to a man’s dollar. But in 1994, despite a thriving economy and historically high employment, “the gender wage gap abruptly widened.”

During her talk, Evelyn Murphy encouraged men to work as hard as women to bridge the wage gap. A man whose wife earns 25 percent less than she’s worth is impacting the couple’s daily life and retirement, she cautioned.

Achieving wage equality involves women — and the men who care about them — paying attention and taking a



*Donahue Institute guest speaker Evelyn Murphy.*

stand for simple parity in the workplace. “We need to work together to pressure every boss to get women even. If we all work at this together, steadily and attentively, women can — and will! — be paid just like men, in just one decade.” ☺



### Baby Boomers to Feel the Impact Aging and Technology Conference Focuses on Future Strategies

No one at the May 17 "Future Trends in Aging & Technology Conference" was complaining about having to share their space with Eve and Lucy, two mobile service robots, who roamed through de Witt Hall. The two motorized "ladies" exemplified the way technological invention will enable elders to live longer independently and were a walking/talking example of what lies ahead in the elder care field.

The 100 attendees witnessed the first-of-its-kind Aging and Technology Conference, sponsored by the RoseMary B. Fuss Center for Research on Aging and Intergenerational Studies. "Hosting events that highlight ways of enhancing the quality of life for older adults is part of the Center's mission," says Dr. Mark Sciegaj, director of the Fuss Center.

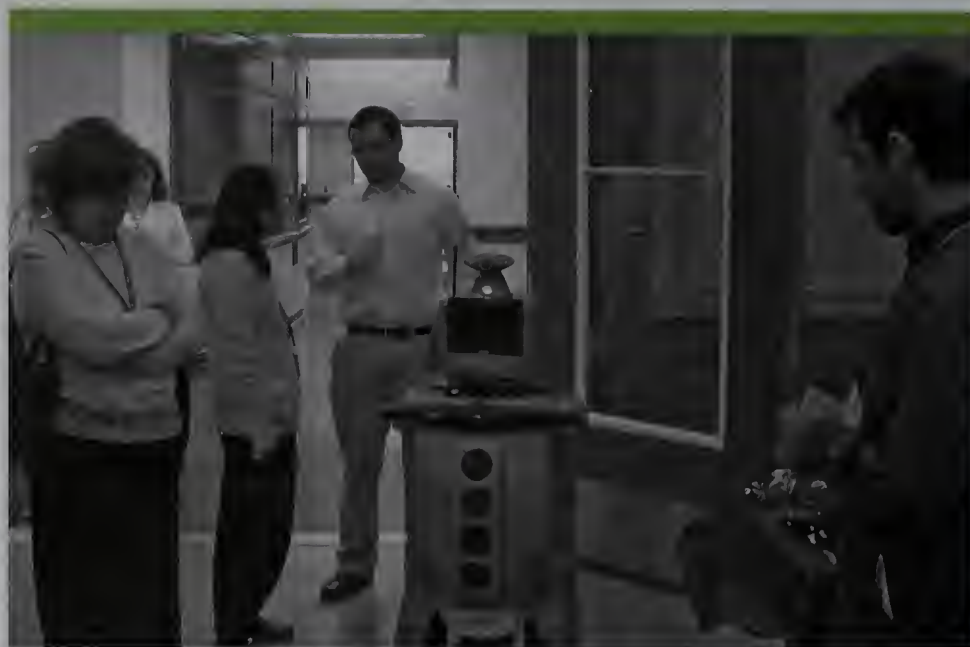
The Aging and Technology Conference featured seven distinguished presenters dedicated to developing practical applications of advanced technology for elders. Dr. Joseph Coughlin, founding director of the MIT AgeLab, delivered the keynote address entitled *Inventing a New Vision of Old Age*. "Today's aging population is profoundly different from that of previous generations," said Dr. Coughlin. "Someone turns 60 every seven seconds and the 'Boomers' are a healthier, more informed, tech savvy,

and wealthier group than we have ever seen.

"At the AgeLab we are dealing with the longevity paradox. Now that people are living longer, what do you do with the extra 30 years? Technology is definitely going to play a big role in keeping people engaged. Everything around us is getting 'smarter' and technology is going to change the consumer."

Dr. Coughlin looked ahead to totally integrated home services, from kitchen to bathroom, with a technological hub that would centralize all the information that comes into and out of the house. He looked forward to smart shopping carts that would give you information at the point of decision, and cars that would change their performance depending on how the steering wheel reported your physical condition.

Other presenters included several members of academia: Majd Alwan (Director of the Eldercare Technologies Program at the University of Virginia), Pierre Larochelle (Director of Robotics and Spatial Systems Laboratory at the Florida Institute of Technology), and Susan Dimmick (Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center). Rounding out the program were three speakers



Four foot Eve draws a lot of interest as she moves through the crowd.

from private industry: Lydia Lundberg and Bill Reed (Developers and Operators of Elite Care) and R. Martin Spencer (President and CEO of GeckoSystems, Incorporated). The presenters enumerated the recent strides made in elder care technology.

A highlight for audience members was Martin Spencer's interactive robots Eve and Lucy, "living" examples of robots that will be available to the public as companions to the elderly. "They can not only remind the elder to take her medication, but they can also be programmed to tell her jokes and stories," says Spencer.

"They are also a sophisticated way to monitor her. By looking at her over the

web cam, her color and facial expression will reveal how she is feeling. If she falls and the CareBot can't locate her, it is trained to call the primary caregiver first and then to dial 911."

"Hosting a conference like this extended Lasell's recognition in the elder care services community," says Fuss Center Director Mark Sciegaj. "The elder care service providers who attended left with a lot of practical information and were given much to think about." Copies of the Future Trends in Aging & Technology Conference presentations are available at [www.lasell.edu/aging](http://www.lasell.edu/aging).

### Generations Get Caught Up Villagers and Student-Athletes Share Stories



The Student-Athlete Advisory Council held a lunch at the Village so that the residents could learn more about the College's athletic programs. More such events are planned for this fall, and the students hope to hear many Villagers cheering them on at their games. (L to R) Villagers Cecelia Heilignman and Dottie Lambert enjoyed getting to know Shawna Kelly '07 and Tricia Canavan '08.

### Dr. Helena Santos Appointed Dean of Advising and First Year Programs

Dr. Helena Santos has been appointed as Lasell College's first Dean of Advising and First Year Programs. She assumes primary responsibility for researching, managing, and assessing all initiatives and programs related to academic support services and student retention, particularly academic advising, first year programs, and the Academic Achievement Center.

Dr. Santos received her Ed.D. in Higher Education Administration from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. She earned her Master of Education in Bilingual, Cross-Cultural Counseling from Boston University, and her Bachelor of Arts in Modern Languages from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She has worked as faculty and advising administrator at Bridgewater State College for 20 years,

over the past five years serving as Associate Director of that institution's Academic Achievement Center, which focuses primarily on first year and undeclared students.



Dr. Helena Santos.



# Class Notes

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Because of the possibility of unexpected changes, in general, we do not publish future events, but will be delighted to announce weddings and those events that have already taken place.

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## 1930's

1933

"I have left the east coast and moved to Oklahoma to be near my daughter and grandchildren," writes Bette Andrews York. "It's an adjustment and an adventure at the same time."

1936

Dorothea Eburne MacLeod has this to say about her Lasell education, "It has served me well. I'm glad I came."

Unable to attend reunion, Margaret Pearl Ide writes, "Severe arthritis prohibits my walking any distance. I have such happy memories of 'Cats Alley' in Bragdon and more luxury at Gardner. Sadly most of my friends are now gone. Best wishes to the survivors."

Marjorie Reed Colley attended reunion 2006 because she was looking forward to seeing her classmates and all the changes since 1936.

Ruth Upham Petremont attended her 70th reunion. She enjoys organic gardening. Ruth celebrated 60 years of marriage to her husband, Gordon, before he died in November 2004. She has two children, four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

1938

Adele Brown Lett took her husband's ashes back to England.

An avid bowler, Florence Kent Parks boasts that all the women on her team wear different hats while bowling. Florence has two great-grandchildren.

"I have two new great-granddaughters," says Arlene Wishart Sylvester. "That brings the new total to 10."

Myrtle Sylvester Ensor is doing well following surgery.

Faye Wadhams Smith keeps in touch with Sally Wright Payne. Faye's cousin, Jane Wadhams Hazen '49, was elected Corporator of the College.

1939

Our sincere condolences to Jean Michael Petersen on the death of her husband, Clint, in July.

In November 2005, Cora Pratt Adams enjoyed a trip to the Baltic states.

In June 2006, she became the proud great-grandmother of her first great-grandchild.

## 1940's

1941

Jean Cooney Leitch writes, "Would have loved to have been able to be at the big reunion. Best wishes to all. Aloha."

"I am almost 85 and was not able to take the long trip from beautiful California where I have lived for 52 years to get to Lasell for our 65th reunion," writes Louise Lorion DeVries. "We had a wonderful class, and I still correspond with several of them. I was there for our 55th. I walked all over the campus and just loved how beautiful it still is." Louise and her husband have been married for 64 years. She says, "Isn't that awesome!"

"I live in a retirement complex in Wisconsin near family having moved from Leesburg, FL, last July," writes Marjorie Morss Smith. "Sorry to have missed reunion, but I look forward to reading about it in Leaves."

Lucille Wielandt Speight makes a yearly trek to Illinois for Thanksgiving and to Florida for Christmas to visit children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She says, "I am still attempting to do some ballroom dancing and aerobics while my legs hold out."

1943

"What a great three weeks I had in Australia. One of the highlights was a visit to Tasmania," writes Betty Gorton Collier. The trip to the Great Barrier Reef turned out to be both a delight and a disappointment to Betty. The weather did not cooperate and with rough seas and no sunshine, the coral was not as beautiful as she anticipated. However, on the boat trip to the reef, Betty met Betty Hintze Pierson '56. "What a delightful visit we had!"

1945

"I'm still happy at Bay Village, a gung-ho place that keeps me young," writes Terry Bergeron Hoyt. Terry keeps in touch with Sue Slocum Klingbeil and sends greetings to all her classmates.

Our sincere condolences to Gloria Condon Delmolino on the death of her husband, Bruno, in November 2004. Gloria enjoys gardening and dogs.

1946

"I can't believe I am now a great-grandmother," writes Mary Jane Magnusson Megroz. "I enjoy our 11 grandchildren and our first great one." Mary Jane and her husband still travel a bit and spend time in their house in Hampton Bays on Long Island.

## Class of 1936



Seated (L to R) Ruth Keyes Murdaugh, Ruth Upham Petremont, Marjorie Reed Colley. Standing: Adelaide Shaffer Van Winkle.

## Class of 1941



(L to R) Becky Allen Ryan, Eleanor Pfaff Martin, Nancy Keach Paine, Ilene Derick Whelpley, Marjorie Williams Horton, Dorothy Macomber Vannah.



## Class Notes

### Class of 1946



Front Row (L to R) Naomi Kahrmanian Kuzoian, Muriel Ross Benshimol, Anne Blake Perkins, Lee Parker McBurnie, Lynn Blodgett Williamson, Dorie Crathern French, Barbara Weeks Dow, Helen Richter Hanson. Back Row (L to R) Irene Tomasek Kokocinski, Lee Pool Langley, Joan Hanson Blake, Jan Schuelke Test, Nan Somerville Blowney, Flo Lewis DuBois, Jane Schmidt Alberts, Phyllis Paige Downes.

Phyllis Paige Downes and her husband now live in Bedford, NH, about 2-1/2 miles away from their son and his wife. Phyllis' daughter and her family live in Vermont.

Since retirement, Lee Parker McBurnie and her husband became official "snow-birds," spending the winter in Florida. She says, "We are enjoying the best of two worlds." Lee enjoyed seeing her classmates at her 60th reunion.

In February, Lee Pool Langley wrote, "We enjoy basking in the Marco Island, FL sunshine."

Jane Schmidt Alberts describes herself as one of a small group of 80-year-olds who is still selling real estate. She enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren.

**1948**  
Our sincere condolences to Shirley Bonnell Doe on the death of her husband, Charles.

**1949**  
Our sincere condolences to the following alums: Nancy Colman Hill on the death of her husband, George; Ann Fletcher Simonds on the death of her husband, Fil; Beverly Peterson Bentley on the death of her husband, David; Jewell Ward Ganger on the death of her husband, Jon.

A speedy recovery to Sally Taylor Murray. Sally has been working hard to recuperate from two strokes, and she says, "It is paying off." Recently, she had to move twice — after her apartment went condo and again when she couldn't live alone.

### 1950's

**1951**  
"Our 50th reunion seems like it happened yesterday. Now it's our 55th," writes Betty Baumbach Hyne. Betty was hoping that the turnout would be good as she was looking forward to sharing memories. "My first grandson is getting married. Who says we are getting old!"

"Sorry I couldn't make reunion," writes Lois Hutchinson Woodward. Lois has seven grandchildren; the oldest is 8 years, the youngest is one.

Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Charlotte Kelley Campbell.

Arlene Kelly Erdman says, "We travel a lot. Having 11 children and 31 grandchildren keeps us busy."

"We have 10 grandchildren and the last four are of Russian ancestry," writes Barbara McRoberts Collingwood. "They are all responsible for bringing joy to my life."

In February, Elaine Quavillon Tull and her husband traveled to South America for three weeks via land and ship.

Both she and her husband attended their respective reunions. Elaine's granddaughter graduated from college in May.

Nancy Roetting Clifford missed being at Lasell for reunion weekend. Just prior to the weekend, she was returning to her home in Connecticut from Florida.

"I was sorry I was not able to attend reunion, but I was at my grandson's high school graduation in Arizona," writes Doris Stewart Sutton. "Love and best wishes to my 1951 classmates."

An invitation from Jo-Ann Vojir Massey: "Please join us in Naples, FL for the alumni event in February 2007."

**1953**  
"We're still happy with our move to Florida as many old friends travel through Jupiter," writes Audrey Thompson Rielle. This year, Audrey saw Bunny Coats Stryeski and Jane Corbin Post. Jeanette Roberts Mann also has a home nearby in Tequesta. Audrey travels up north to visit children and grandchildren during hurricane season.

**1954**  
Debby Potter Waugh has lived on the Cape for 16 years and loves it. She says, "Our grandchildren are growing up. Four have gone or are going to St. Lawrence University and two are at Colgate with more coming along."

Shirley Read Lupien sold her home after 48 years and moved into a condo in a 55+ community in Hudson, MA. She spent seven weeks in Florida with her oldest daughter and family. Shirley has eight grandchildren.

**1955**  
"We are enjoying our lovely new ranch home in Mashpee," writes Elaine Gaysunas Coppingner.

Congratulations to Joy Stewart Rice on the birth of twin granddaughters in February.

**1956**  
Five years ago, Mary Augur Wallace retired after teaching for 28 years in the Branford, CT school system. Mary's husband died in 1982. She lives near her daughter and family.

Our sincere condolences to Ann Beden Weiner on the loss of her husband from pancreatic cancer in 1997. Ann is the grandmother of twin girls who are 7 years old.

From Maryland, Judy Caswell Allen writes, "Sorry to miss reunion. It is too far for me to come. I'll be thinking of you."

Joan Conley Eid is retired. She and her husband enjoy visiting their son and his family in Los Angeles. This summer they spent time with their son and his family and their daughter and her family in Lake Tahoe.

### Class of 1951



Front Row (L to R) Edith Taccone Kearney, Joan Kearney Cormay, Jo-Ann Vojir Massey, Barbara Keyes MacKinnon, Joanne Monahan Garrity.

Back Row (L to R) Kathleen Ballard Heck, Mary Jane Clark Maurici, M. Elaine Quavillon Tull, Cynthia Porter Horton.



## Class Notes

Sandra Davis Hudson was sorry to miss her 50th reunion, but she had a grandson graduating from college that same weekend. Sandra and her husband celebrated their 50th anniversary in June, and their family gave them a trip to Alaska. Sandra says, "Our first great-grandbabies were born this year, a girl and a boy."

Betty Hintze Pierson and her husband spent a month touring New Zealand and Australia. On the 30-mile boat trip out to the Great Barrier Reef, she met a woman who graduated from Lasell in 1943 — Elizabeth Gorton Collier. Betty says, "It is truly a small world."

Our sincere condolences to Toni Kennedy Gelotte whose husband, Erik, died of a heart attack in December 2003. Toni has been living on the Cape for the past 10 years. Her hobby is rosemaking, Norwegian decorative folk painting.

Ann Marcus Karol works part-time as a freelance vendor of fragrances. She and her husband love traveling and have been all over the world. Ann has five grandchildren.

Five years ago, Janet Parmenter Bogardus retired to Cape Cod. She is still an active real estate broker.

Ann Phelps MacKinnis retired in May 2005. She has two sons and one grandson.

"Life is good," writes Joan Raymond Healey. She has been living in Florida for 10 years and enjoys extensive world-wide travel. Joan admits to spending most of her free time on the golf course.

Lori Saunders moved from her house to a townhouse. She loves retirement and says she is busier than ever with friends, traveling, church, and local responsibilities.

"It's incredible that we graduated 50 years ago. I feel great but definitely look 50 years older," writes Evie Shear Pinsof. Evie is living in Key Largo, FL, with her husband whom she met while she was attending Lasell. "We have a wonderful, full life with three grown kids and five grands, the oldest of which is getting ready for college." Evie continues, "We spend summers in Michigan City, IN, and love snorkeling and boating."

"Hi to one and all. Sorry I was unable to attend reunion," writes Nancy Shook Bender. Nancy lives in Florida for seven months and on the Cape for the remaining five months.

"I have lived in the foothills of North Carolina for eight years now and am enjoying retirement," writes Kathy Taft. Kathy volunteers at the public library and the historical association, serves on

the library board, and drives people to doctors' appointments for the outreach ministry. She is an avid gardener. Kathy says, "I think fondly of Lasell and loved my two years in Woodland and Carpenter."

"Sorry to miss my 50th reunion, but our son is getting married that weekend in Kansas City," writes Marylyn Tomancak Kirchhoefer. "Regards to my Blaisdell roomies." Marylyn and her husband live on a golf course just south of Springfield, MO. They are doing some traveling.

"I have been retired from teaching for 10 years," writes Ann Tucker Lojzim. "My husband and I are avid gardeners and spend time in the Florida Keys in March. Ann enjoys her 8-year-old granddaughter.

### 1958

An update from Gail Winalski Burd: "We raised three daughters and visit them in Portland, OR, Hobart, IN, and Columbus, OH. We have four grandchildren. I do crafts with shell wreaths and shell poems and sell them in gift stores, work three days a week at a fun gift shop, and have a line of cards with my own photography. Can't believe our 50th will be coming up in two years!"

## Class of 1958



With the flag flying, two Gardner alums, (L to R) Jeanne Bradner Morgan and Gail Seibert Glover, recently got together.

## 1960's

### 1960

From her new home in Shrewsbury, MA, Barbara Jacoby Adelstein writes, "I have a new granddaughter to love. Now there are three."

"Lately, my life has been a whirl wind," writes Anne Sutherland Rollins. "I retired from teaching in June after 38 years. One week later I flew to Scotland. My house in Hudson, MA is on the market because I've bought a townhouse in Kennebunk, ME and will move in the fall."

## Class of 1956



Front Row (L to R) Betty Hintze Pierson, Lorraine Saunders, Elaine Bertini Roske, Joyce Bliss Doyle, Ann Phelps MacKinnis, Sally Quicke Reiss, Jane Dorr Brown, Joyce Maroni Gomes, Mary Parmakian Bauer, Ann August Marcus. Second Row (L to R) Joan McDonald Delmore, Judith Metcalf Daniels, Nancy Ivers Johnston, Ann Tucker Lojzim, Sally Herman DeRosa, Elane Lindstrom Williams, Joan Conley Eid, Nancy McHale Hurd, Joan Raymond Healey, Gail Frank Wells. Third Row (L to R) Ann Beden Weiner, Carol Corning Richard, Diane Jacobson Rosenberg, Louise Bernson Neiterman, Sandra Lavine Kanosky, Terry Kilgore Mannix, Bette Perlstein Shapiro, Diana Neusner Shapiro, Joyce Schretter Heine. Back Row (L to R) Ann Marcus Karol, Carolyn Scherer Butler, Toni Kennedy Gelotte, Shirley Harmon Cobb, Marie Sanchirico DiCarlo, Janet Parmenter Bogardus, Kaye Mackler Aronson.



## Class Notes

### Class of 1958



Four 1958ers have a mini-reunion in Punta Gorda, FL, in February, at Gail Seibert Glover's home. (L to R) Gail Winalski Burd, Gail Seibert Glover, Jeanne Bradner Morgan, Judy Feldt Oswald.

#### 1961

Bubs Baird writes, "One of my twin sons and his wife had twin girls in March. They are the first girls in our family in 35 years."

"Love retirement on Cape Cod and traveling to Sweden," writes Linda Benson Cameron.

"I have three wonderful grandchildren, and they are the light of my life," writes Gail Bingle Staunton.

Our sincere condolences to Val Duval Pettinicchi who lost her husband of

37-1/2 years in November. On a happier note, Val enjoyed her 45th reunion with roommates Georgia and Linda and other Class of 1961 friends. Val has been working at her daughter's dance studio for the past eight years. She has a 2-year-old granddaughter.

Sharon Handley House was especially excited about the nursing reunion and seeing classmates and Connie Milner. She is sorry that there is no nursing program at Lasell any more.

Carol Healy McKinnon writes that she and her husband, Leo, spend winters in

Naples, FL, and love it. She enjoyed seeing wonderful Lasell friends at reunion.

"My new career as a ballroom dance teacher is keeping me challenged and busy," writes Betty Hood.

Gwen Johnson Redding is the owner of a Scandinavian gift shop in Plainville, MA. She and her husband have been married for 44 years. They have three children and 10 grandchildren.

Marilyn Manzke Loglisci has been named sales manager of the Stamford, CT office of William Raveis. In her previous job, she was recognized for bringing her real estate firm to the #1 position in units and to the #3 position in sales volume companywide for the last three years. Marilyn is both a Stamford native and current resident.

Celeste Mayo Shannon is retired, and she and her husband are still living in northwestern Connecticut. Celeste enjoys skiing, fishing, traveling, and playing with her two grandchildren.

"It had been 45 years since I first set foot on the Lasell campus, but I was anxious to see everything, especially the fabulous Draper gals," writes Terry Niebling Pike.

Donna Skillings Kessler is retired and loving it. She and her husband spend four months in Bonita Springs, FL, and they moved into a condo on their golf course in Augusta, ME. Donna says, "We have seven wonderful grandchildren who make our hearts sing." Donna loves to spend time with her Maine friends from the Class of 1961.

Cynthia Smith Coleman is still living in San Francisco. She says, "I ended my career in retail, special events, public relations, and marketing after 39 years. I am enjoying life."

Ellen Smith Burton writes, "I retired from my job last August, and we made the move to North Carolina to be near my niece. I will miss everyone."

"This is my retirement year, and we are off to Hawaii to celebrate," writes Nancy Thomas Dudek. "We built our retirement home in Maine and are enjoying our new location." Nancy and her husband are the proud grandparents of four. A family event prevented Nancy from attending reunion.

From Wellington, FL, Susan White Ashe sends an update: "I judge 35 to 40 horse shows a year all over the US and Canada. I travel about 135,000 miles a year in the air. My husband, Neil, died of cancer in 1988, and I have never remarried. I have two grown children. Wish I could have been there for reunion."

#### 1963

Our sincere condolences to Bette Cole Greene on the death of her husband, Edwin.

#### 1964

"I'm retired and highly recommend it," writes Linda Pillarella West. "Sold my Connecticut home and am living full-time in Rhode Island. I have more time for gardening and grandchildren."

### Class of 1961



Front Row (L to R) Milly Gillis Pereira, Marie Pelargonio Hall, Terry Niebling Pike, Linda Leser Hughes, Carol Schumacher Dougherty, Jane Parsons Dolbier, Laura Jensen Hyer, Carol Healey McKinnon, Wendy Wolfenden, Elaine Butler Ryan, Gwen Johnson Redding. Second Row (L to R) Dorothy Musche, Jane Kendrigan, Linda Grean Curtis, Susan Clark Stern, Sharon Handley House, Gail Bingle Staunton, Barbara Seremet Smith, Carolyn Bird Murray, Georgia Beaumont Tramontano, Valerie Duval Pettinicchi. Back Row (L to R) Betty Hood, Joan Franke Neustaedter, Barbara Carberry Haddad, Donna Skillings Kessler, Andi Mayo Shannon, Linda Benson Cameron, Bubs Baird, Lela Graham Moses.



## Class Notes

### Classes of 1966 and 1967



(L to R) Gail MacLean Wilburn '66, Nancy Palmer Brandston '66, Susan Zele Buxbaum '66, Carolyn Graham Romyn '66, Susie Roberts Richey '67, Judy Locke Lorenzo '67, Sandra Shadle Marsilius '66 gathered in California.

1965

Lynne Lockhart is excited about her first grandchild who was born in October.

Cathy Sanford Nurmi is Sterling, CT's town clerk. She is an avid fan of the UConn women's basketball team because, she says, "it is a team-oriented sport." Cathy played varsity basketball at Lasell back in the days "when we couldn't go beyond the mid-court line."

1966

In April, wanting to get together to celebrate their 60th birthdays and their 42-year "forever friendship," the majority of Draper House Class of 1966 traveled to the Malibu, CA hillside home of Gail MacLean Wilburn '66, and then on to the Palm Springs desert home of Susie

Roberts Richey '67. They agree this trip made for a special and memorable reunion for seven Baby Boomers.

Colette Cavanaugh Clark says, "I retired from nursing and cattle ranching to take time to smell the roses. Life is good." Colette is now into painting and pottery in Highland, NC with her husband of 39 years. She has two grown and prospering children and one grandchild.

Linda Condikey Ritchie and Marcia Moore Reed spent 10 days sailing in the British Virgin Islands in January and got together with their families in Ossipee Lake, NH this summer.

### Classes of 1971 and 1972



Recently four "old" Lasell friends from NY, RI, MA, and NH got together at the home of Gail Ciprari Koumanelis '72. Pictured are Laurie Flaman Fletcher '71, Chris Flach Ristaino '71, Pat Gaston Taylor '71, and Gail. Lots of laughter, history, and reminiscing went on for a great time.

"After 31 years in California, we moved to southern Oregon in 2001," writes Nancy Ferrier Grosjean. "We miss California so we may go back." Nancy is semi-retired and works part-time at a local bank.

After 40 years, Linda Hohwieler Carpenter got in touch with Linda Condikey Ritchie and Marcia Moore Reed. All three women are planning a reunion this year.

1968

"My granddaughter was born in June 2005," writes Janice Taylor Perruzzi. "How did I get so old?"

### 1970's

1971

"After all these years, I still have fond memories of life at Lasell — great faculty, lifetime friendships, and great laughs at dinner," writes Carol Goulian Stewart. Carol keeps in touch with Anita Svolis Herrick and Sue Mathews Courchesne. Carol, Anita, and Sue were all back to celebrate their 35th reunion.

1972

Toby Clayman writes, "I had a nice reunion with Lynn Munson Cashman in Cork, Ireland, where Lynn lives." Toby started a new job in mid-April at a small hospital in Phoenix. She was sorry to miss reunion, but sends warm regards to Connie Milner and classmates.

Nancy Romberg has been appointed to the board of governors of the Norwalk Symphony Orchestra. She is the Rowayton, CT branch manager of the Fairfield County Bank Corp. Nancy is also an organizer of The Heart Gallery, a national photo exhibit that promotes awareness for the need for homes for children in state care.

Susan Schrade has a new position — Director of Corporate and Leisure Sales at the Pierre Hotel in New York City.

1976

Mae Santos-Rosa writes, "I would love to hear from my roommates in Carpenter and any of my long lost friends."

Marcia Smith Thompson is married and has three children, ages 20, 19, and 12.

1977

"Living in Palo Alto area, CA, with my husband and three high school children," writes Judy Possidente Kaufman, "and loving my job as Director of the VIP program at the Stanford University Medical Center." In her free time, Judy enjoys swimming, running, traveling, and tennis.

### Class of 1966



Front Row (L to R) Gail Williamson-Hawes, Colette Cavanaugh Clark, Nancy Ferrier Grosjean, Lois Sawyer Caulfield.  
Back Row (L to R) Nancy Goodale, Susan Halewood Crosby, Barbara Caron MacLean, Constance Hill Montuori.



## Class Notes

### Class of 1971



Front Row (L to R) Carol Goulian Stewart, Susan Mathews Courchesne, Margaret Catalano Quigley, Mary Anne Bailey Hansen. Back Row (L to R) Anita Svolis Herrick, Kristan Coryell-Jesmer, Karen Manchon Frank, Cecile Stowell Peters.

1979

Laura Cobrinik is living in New Jersey and has worked as a library assistant in various libraries in New Jersey and New York for 17 years. She has had over 70 poems published. Laura keeps in touch with Sima Kianfar Bajkshi who lies in San Rafeal, CA. In 2000, she found Diane Fain Anth '78 who was living in Cumming, GA. She writes, "I am hoping to re-connect with other members of the class of 1979."

### 1980's

1981

"I will never forget one very cold winter in Ordway House when I declared I would go west for milder weather. My classmates didn't believe me, but I left within weeks of graduation," writes Julia Costantini Garreaud. "I have spent the past 20 years in Los Angeles, but I am finally moving back to my east coast roots."

### Class of 1976



(L to R) Mae Santos-Rosa, Suzanne St. Jean Priest, Kimberley Dimes McDonald, Bonnie Matheson Holmes.

### Class of 1983



Enjoying themselves at the third annual Misquamicut Beach get-together are (L to R) Sue Senofonte Pries, Caroline Knoener Skowronek, Lisa (Mona) Adams Edwards, Julia Schaum Ortale, and Joan O'Connor.

An update from Holly Hersee: "I am an executive assistant at BAE Systems and am currently enrolled in Education for Ministries, a 4-year theological program. I am an active member of my church and enjoy other volunteer activities including FIRST Robotics, FIRST Lego, and the Cinderella Project of NH. In my free time I enjoy walking my yellow lab, tennis, skiing, golf, and spending time at our family home in Ogunquit, ME. I have a 22-year-old daughter.

1986

Jennifer Leonard Hahn is an artist. She and her husband have three children and live in New Jersey.

1989

Jill Fucci Spell and husband are the chef/owners of two Vermont restaurants. They have two children, ages 5-1/2 years and 3. Jill says her interest in nutrition began at Lasell.

### 1990's

1995

Debbie Lestch says, "I am still looking for the perfect job in the teaching field. I am working at the Next Generation Children's Center. I also work part-time at the Baby/Kids GAP. I love the Boston Red Sox!"

1999

An update from Julie Monaco Giles: "My husband and I bought our first home in Framingham, MA. We love being homeowners. I finished my MBA at Bentley College and work in Wellesley."

### 2000's

2002

In May, Leah Flynn became Director 2 certified by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. In August, Leah started to direct the Montachusett Vocational Technical Schools Childcare Center in Fitchburg.

Carrie Trombley Gardner and her husband are living in Carrie's hometown of Bennington, VT. Just recently she made a job change from third grade teacher to reading teacher. Carrie says, "Things are great."

2003

Karina Fontanez moved back to Massachusetts in August 2005 and is working for Thomson Financial.

Not long after graduating from Lasell, Matthew Hutchinson signed up for service. He is a 1st Lieutenant in the US Army, stationed in Iraq. He and his fellow soldiers are responsible for a 5-mile-wide, 7-mile-long sector in West Baghdad, where their duties include keeping order, patrolling streets, searching for insurgents and weapons, and training Iraqi soldiers. When his army service ends in December, he'd like to become a Boston policeman.

Kristine Mohan de Paula and her husband had a child 11 months after they got married. She says, "So much has changed since graduation, but I will always remember all the good times I shared with great friends.

2004

Danielle Eid is the new Resident Camp Director of the Clara Barton Camp, an educational and recreational camp for girls ages 6-17 who have diabetes, in North Oxford, MA. Danielle is in charge of programming, hiring staff, and fundraising. She says, "This job is a dream job come true. Ever since I first came here when I was eight, I've loved the camp and didn't really want to go anywhere else."

Molly Merchant has accepted an accounting position with American Airlines in the Dallas/Fort Worth area. She has enough credits to sit for the CPA exam. She is also considering the presidency of the Dallas American Society of Women Accountants.

### Former Faculty

Recollections from Barbara McLean Long, Professor of Economics (1955-1993):

"I was sorry I was unable to attend reunion, but I have an eye problem which I hope to have corrected soon.

"I appreciate receiving all the Lasell publications and read them from cover to cover. Lasell is doing great things. I especially enjoy the Class Notes section. I realized that the first class in which I was a young faculty member was the class of 1956. I think it was that year that I and two other new faculty members escorted a group of students to Bermuda on spring break. Those were the days of curfews, dress codes, and all kinds of rules and regulations. Interestingly, that group of students was happy with their Lasell experience and supportive of Lasell over the years.

"Mostly I taught economics, but in the 1970's I taught a section on History of Women which I loved.

"I have a son who is now an FBI agent, a daughter, and seven grandchildren. I'm still a golfer. Hope you have a wonderful reunion."



## Class Notes

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### Upcoming Alumni Events

Upcoming Alumni Gatherings: If you would be interested in sponsoring or helping to organize an alumni event in the future, please contact the Alumni Relations Office.

**Sunday, October 22 is River Day** at the Lasell College Stoller Boathouse on the Charles River.



**Calling all alumni!** The century-old war canoes are still used for the competition and have all been completely restored. They will be put into service on Sunday at 11 am at the boathouse and need alumni paddlers! Picnic lunch to follow (\$12). Please contact your former fellow teammates and pass the word and plan to come back to campus.

**Sunday, September 17 - Cape Cod, MA**  
- Reception at home of Barbara McAlary Kashar '60, South Sandwich, 3-5:30 p.m.

**Sunday, October 15 - Northampton, MA** - Reception at the home of Home of Martha Borawski '68, 3:00-5:30 p.m.

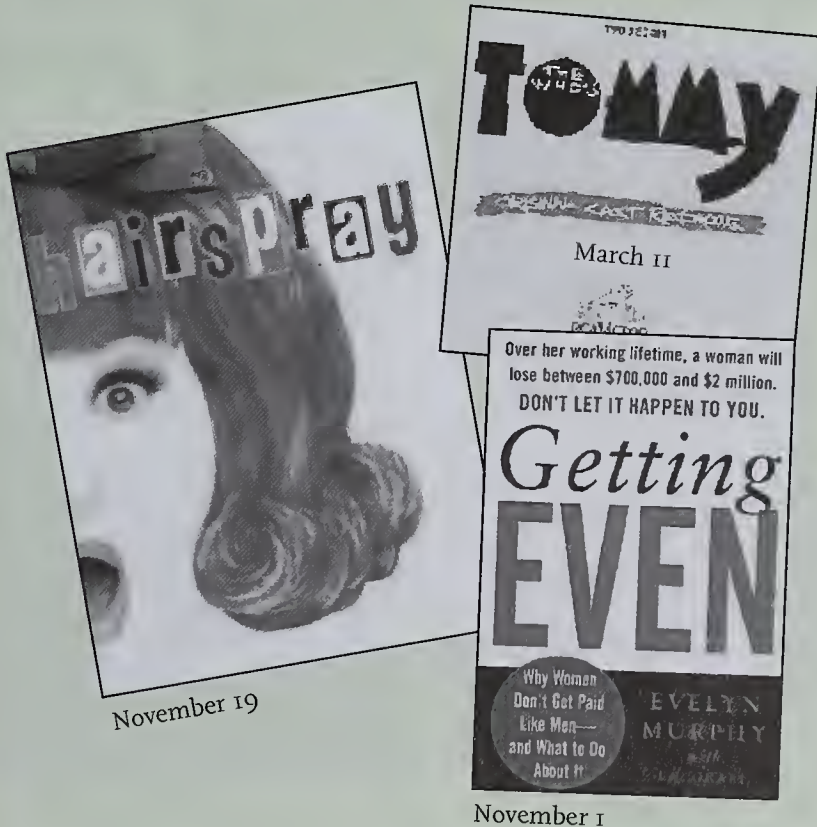
**Wednesday, November 1, Boston, MA** - Evelyn Murphy - "Getting Even" and Ruth Shuman - "Effective Salary Negotiation".

**Sunday, November 19 - Beverly, MA - North Shore Music Theatre** - "Hairspray," brunch at the theatre prior to the performance.

**Florida** - We plan to be in Florida during the second week of February, 2007, for farewell receptions for President Tom de Witt. If you have not heard from us about a reception near you, please contact us.

**Sunday, March 11, 2007 - Newton, MA** - Turtle Lane Playhouse - "Tommy," brunch on campus prior to the performance.

**May 18-20, 2007 - Reunion Weekend/Commencement Weekend.** Check out the Lasell College web site [www.lasellalumni.org](http://www.lasellalumni.org) for more information. Please email the Alumni Relations Office at [alumni@lasell.edu](mailto:alumni@lasell.edu) with any address changes or class notes.





# Nota Bene

Marriages

Jennifer Leonard '86 to Andrew Hahn in 2003

Kyra Souza '00 to Matthew Yorston on August 28, 2005

Sarah King '02 to Stephen Cherington in November 2005

Elyse Adelstein MSM '05 to Yuval Golibroda on May 21, 2006

Births

Allison Johnson Nelson '98, a daughter, Madison Anne, on January 20, 2006

Colleen Pratt '02, a daughter, Taylor Morgan, on December 30, 2005

Deaths

Dorothy Schumaker '26 on June 16, 2005

Winnifred Felch Leech '30

Mary Hunter Holland '31 on January 30, 2006

Hope Decatur Rowland '33 on June 5, 2003

Denise Gile Arnold '35

Villa Magune Clarkson '35 on March 19, 2006

Martha Sweetnam Pearson '36 on April 8, 2006

Evelyn Piepenbring Morrison '37 on February 22, 2006

Joyce Preston Terry '37

Peggy Sage LaRock '37 on March 9, 2006

Virginia Wright Church '37 on April 15, 2006

Olive Boynton Garron '38 on April 23, 2006

Marjorie Lind Maxwell '39 on April 16, 2006

Florence MacDonald Howe '39 on May 6, 2006

Dorothy Farnum Moore '40 on May 14, 2006

Mabel "Pat" Hitchcock Griffin '40 on July 21, 2006

Anita Monge Nichols '41 on February 14, 2005

Susan Paisley Hansbury '41 on November 3, 2004

Ellen Visscher Choquette '41 on March 9, 2006

Kathleen Finn Cullen '42

Charlotte Hall Kelly '42

Margot Moore Harley '42 on June 19, 2006

Ruth Mosher Porter '42 on May 23, 2006

Claire Nolan '42 on June 18, 2006

Jean Hall Alexander '43 on March 8, 2006

Persis "Penny" Pendleton Howarth '43 on May 22, 2006

Anne Calder Dick '44 on March 1, 2006

Ruth Walbridge '44 on February 1, 2006

Sally Atwater Mesmer '45

Ann Cook O'Hara '45

Mary Auten Miller '46 on March 12, 2006

Anne Valentine Foster '46 on April 8, 2006

Janet Manter Horan '47 on March 25, 2006

Beverly Yeates McCormick '47 on March 29, 2006

Patricia Trammell Swanson '49 on May 22, 2006

Mary Leighton Wood '50 on December 14, 2005

Carol Bancroft '51

Alice Pittenger '51 on March 12, 2006

Joan Williams Allen '51 on July 26, 2005

M. Patricia Wilson Kane '54 on May 25, 2006

Jacqueline Keith Kneissler '55 on March 23, 2006

Nancy Peirce Rudolph '55 on July 26, 2006

Elizabeth Buecher Hill '56 on March 20, 2006

Linda Erdman O'Mara '57 on May 5, 2006

Susan Gardner Doherty McLean '63 on January 21, 2006

Kathleen Wright '67 on December 4, 2005

Irene Harrington Mayer '73 on April 8, 2006

Tina Sullivan Higgins '79 on March 29, 2006

Ethel Guevin, former staff, on April 7, 2006

Ethel L. Guevin passed away on April 7, 2006. For close to 20 years, she was the indispensable Executive Assistant to five Lasell presidents, from Dr. Blake Tewksbury to President Peter T. Mitchell. Always professional, she was the quiet and efficient right hand for the President's office. In recognition for her contributions, she was awarded the Lasell Medallion in 1980. She is remembered for her commitment to Lasell.

E. Katherine Whalen, former staff, on April 11, 2006



## Campus Update

### Wedeman Art Gallery — A Colorful Showcase Fashion and Mexican Culture

Huipils, rebozos, and brightly colored peasant dresses filled the Wedeman Art Gallery this May. This exhibit of Mexican clothing was the end result of an interdisciplinary teaching project that involved students studying Twentieth Century Fashion History and Introduction to Sociology.

Both Fashion Professor Jill Carey and Sociology Professor Tessa LeRoux participated in Lasell's "Shoulder to Shoulder" service learning program in Mexico this past January and the trip was the inspiration for the show. "We hope this exhibition will help provide an understanding of the relationship between traditional Mexican dress and how clothing and decoration are symbolic of this unique and rich culture," says Professor Carey.

Among the designs shown were intricately embroidered peasant dresses from Puebla, Mexico. The stitching shows the influence that Spanish needlework had on the area's traditional clothing, with motifs such as animals, birds, flowers and foliage worked into the cloth.

Rebozos, or shawls, from Oaxaca, were displayed. They are used for different purposes throughout a Mexican's life. Besides providing warmth, mothers carry their babies in them and then, later in life, the children use them for carrying their school books.

Clothing from the Yucatan and Veracruz was also displayed. ♥



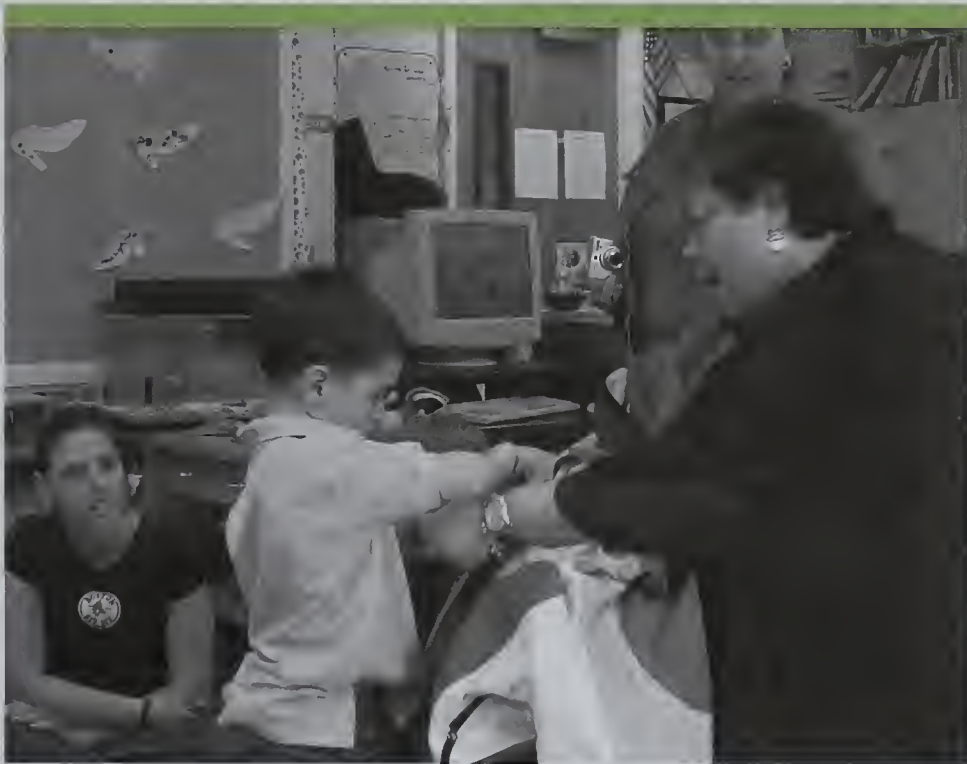
(L to R) Alyson Fox '08, Michelle Purington '08, Jillian Clark '06, Nadine Grenier '06, Ashley Oliver '08, Aliene O'Shaughnessy '07, and Christina Deluca '08 were all contributors to the show.

### With a Storybook Under Her Arm Dean Ruth Shuman "Zips" Down to the Barn

Dean for Institutional Advancement Ruth Shuman became a zipper expert when she traveled to the Holway Child Study Center's Barn for story time. The idea for her visit started when she was seated next to the Barn's Younger Pre-School Teacher Amy Pilat '04 at an Alumni Relations lunch. As they discussed the value of intergenerational learning, Amy asked her if she'd like to participate in an activity with the youngest students on campus. Before Dean Shuman knew it, the date was set.

Wondering what would engage the four-year olds, she did a little research and discovered *Mrs. Toggle's Zipper* by Robin Pulver. "Help! Help!" she read. "Mrs. Toggle's zipper is stuck and the thingamajig that pulls the zipper down is missing."

To much laughter, Dean Shuman soon had the whole class trying to help her pull the zipper down on her coat and, when she left, the children all hoped she would return soon with another story. ♥



A young Barn student gets "zipping" encouragement from Dean Ruth Shuman.

### Elizabeth Gardner Bouguereau, Class of 1856, Painting to be Exhibited

"Crossing the Brook," a painting by Elizabeth Gardner Bouguereau, Class of 1856, was recently on display at New Hampshire's Exeter Historical Society before being sent to the Philbrook Museum of Tulsa, Oklahoma. It will be included in the exhibition, "In the Studios of Paris: William Bouguereau and His American Students."

Ms. Bouguereau studied art while at Lasell Seminary and went to Paris to continue her studies after the Civil War. When she found Paris ateliers were closed to women, she donned men's clothing to gain entrance.

She later studied under William Adolphe Bouguereau, who became her husband. She was the first American woman to exhibit in the Paris Salon (1866) and the first to be awarded the Salon Medal.

She donated her painting, "The Judgment of Paris," to the Lasell Seminary in 1899; it continues to hang on permanent display. ♥



Crossing the Brook.



Bouguereau portrait.





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### Message from Karen Gill, Director of Alumni Relations

Hello Lasell Alumni -

**W**hat a fun time was had by all at Reunion! Watching the smiles of recognition light up faces when classmates reconnect is such a special moment. Those are usually followed by huge bear hugs and tears of laughter as the weekend progresses and old stories are retold. When it is time to say goodbye, there are promises to stay in touch and meet again real soon. Please keep those promises alive and do make plans now to meet again. There is no substitute for friends who are tried and true!

Please find your friends and classmates through the Lasell online community and start to create some new cherished memories. If you have not yet joined the community, the directions are on page 19.

*Karen Gill*

Thanks, Karen Gill  
Director of Alumni Relations

### Lasell Alumni Share their Graduate School Application Experiences

**A**pplying to graduate school can be a daunting experience, but the more facts and personal stories an applicant has at his or her finger tips, the less stressful the process is. In March, to help smooth the way, Lasell seniors and alumni had the opportunity to attend "How to Choose a Graduate Program."

Sponsored by the Office of Alumni Affairs and the Office of Graduate Admission, the session provided an overview of important criteria to consider when choosing a program and featured the personal experiences of two Lasell alumni. Presenters included Adrienne Franciosi, director of Graduate Admission, Marie Smith, director of Career Services, and Kianna Gooden '06.

Some of the topics covered were the criteria to consider when choosing a program, the actual application process, preparing to take the GRE/GMAT, and graduate program search tools.

Kianna Gooden '06, a Human Services major who is currently in the MSW program at Simmons, shared her application experiences and was happy to answer questions from the audience.

Shelby Derissaint '02, was not able to attend the session, but sent words of advice on how to finance an advanced degree. "Graduate schools in general do not give a lot of money. You may need to get private sources to fund you. I spent weeks at the Copley Library looking up private scholarships. You really need to be committed to the idea of graduate school, so look at the best programs out there, and don't worry too much about the cost. In the end, it is worth doing."

Alumni interested in learning more about the graduate school process or Lasell's graduate program offerings are welcome to contact Adrienne Franciosi, Director of Graduate Admission at afranciosi@lasell.edu or 617-243-2214. ♥

### Alumni Association News...

**T**he recipients of Alumni Association Scholarships are returning students who have financial need and have demonstrated their outstanding ability as scholars. They were selected from a competitive pool of applicants and bring a wide range of talents to the Lasell community. They are leaders and volunteers in extra-curricular activities on and off campus.

The recipients for the 2006-2007 school year are:

**Katie Bryer '08**, a junior Accounting major from Dresden, ME. She has served as a hospice volunteer and math tutor and been involved with field hockey, the Emerging Leaders program, and the work-study program in the Registrar's Office.

**Chris Johnson '09**, a sophomore Sports Science major from Gloucester, MA. He is on the cross country team, has volunteered in his community JROTC program, and served as a youth basketball coach.



2006-2007 Alumni scholarship recipients — Katie Bryer '08, Board of Management member and Scholarship Committee Chair Jacqueline Paulding Hauser '50, Chris Johnson '09, Noelle O'Leary '07.

**Noelle O'Leary '07**, a senior Elementary Education major from Billerica, MA. She is captain and goalkeeper of the Women's Lacrosse team, Vice-President and mentor of the Future Educator's Club, and a biology peer tutor. ♥

### Stories of Briggs House History Shared

**F**ifty years bring many changes and, for current students, it's fascinating to discover what Lasell life was like. The residents of Briggs House had the opportunity this spring to spend an evening sharing stories with Nancye Van Deusen Connor '57. The get together was organized by Kristina Cerce '06, Resident Assistant at Briggs, and by Jessica Anthony '98, Area Coordinator.

When Nancye arrived, she had a tour of Briggs and was able to see her former room. "I was expecting the worst," she recalls, "but instead, everything was neat, clean, and sparkly. Nothing had changed that much. It looked great."

Nancye then had the chance to tell the 12 students what Briggs was like when she lived there. "We had to smoke in the basement. There was no TV down there, but it was our gathering place."

Everyone felt that the biggest difference was coeducation. "It was very hard for the current students to imagine life at Lasell without the men," says Nancye. "When two different generations have the opportunity to talk, everyone learns from the other, and I know we all enjoyed it." ♥



Briggs House.



## Alumni Relations

### Past Events...



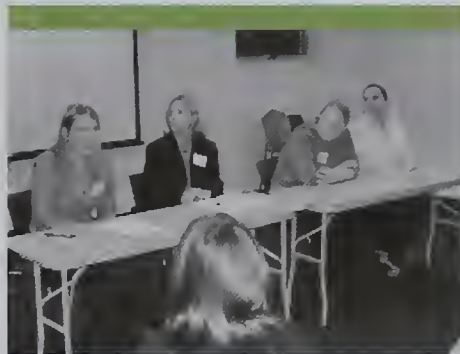
In July, Nancy Curtis Grellier '49 and her husband, Bill, were hosts to alumni and friends at their Nantucket home. (L to R) Byron Dugdale, Lois Lincoln Dugdale '50, Bonnie Owen Connolly, Barbara Clark Owen '58, Susan Greenslade Brooks '63, Dick Brooks, Nora Nelson Preusser '66, Bill and Nancy Grellier, President Tom de Witt, Ed Preusser.



"Hats Off!" — A thank you lunch for all Lasell alumni who work at Lasell College. Clockwise from bottom right — Jeanne Johnsen '72 (Institutional Advancement); Joan McGrath (IA staff); Lisa Langelier '02 (The Barn); Amy Pilat '04 (the Barn); Nicole Houdelette Ragnognetti '99 (Registrar's Office) Cathy Black (IA staff). Standing left to right: Emily Alter (IA staff); Jean Petrino '97 (Sodexo Food Services) and Karen Gill (IA staff). Other alums who attended and are not pictured are: Katie McDonough Ryan '67 (Academic Affairs), Kathy Morgan Lucey '67 (Rockwell Nursery School); Louise Harrison Leader '59 (Fashion Professor); and Pat Ryan Cantin '63 (Rockwell Nursery School).



Seated at brunch before "Wicked" are (L to R) Assistant Director of Alumni Relations Emily Alter, Richard Horsfield, Janice Taylor Perruzzi '68, Melissa Topliff, and Nancy Swanson Horsfield '54.



The Office of Career Services and Alumni Relations co-sponsored a student/alumni business networking seminar. Dean Ruth Shuman gave advice how to "Shamelessly Network" and a panel of employers and alumni shared their career experiences and offered advice to students ready to emerge in the working world. Left to right: Employer Heidi Cox, Eve Cartwright '79, Patti Beck Bishop '97 and Crista Cannata '04.



It was a sweltering night for the cheering Lasell alumni at Fenway Park.



Some alumni Red Sox fans cooled off by seeking a breeze.



(L to R) Gail Frank Wells '56, Beverly Bearse Sowerby '58, Bonnie Jean Beckwith Morrison '58, and Patsy Graff Willoughby '58 enjoy a glass of wine together on the Lasell alumni trip to Tuscany, Italy in July.



Alumni gather on campus for brunch before the theatre trip to Boston for "Wicked" in April.

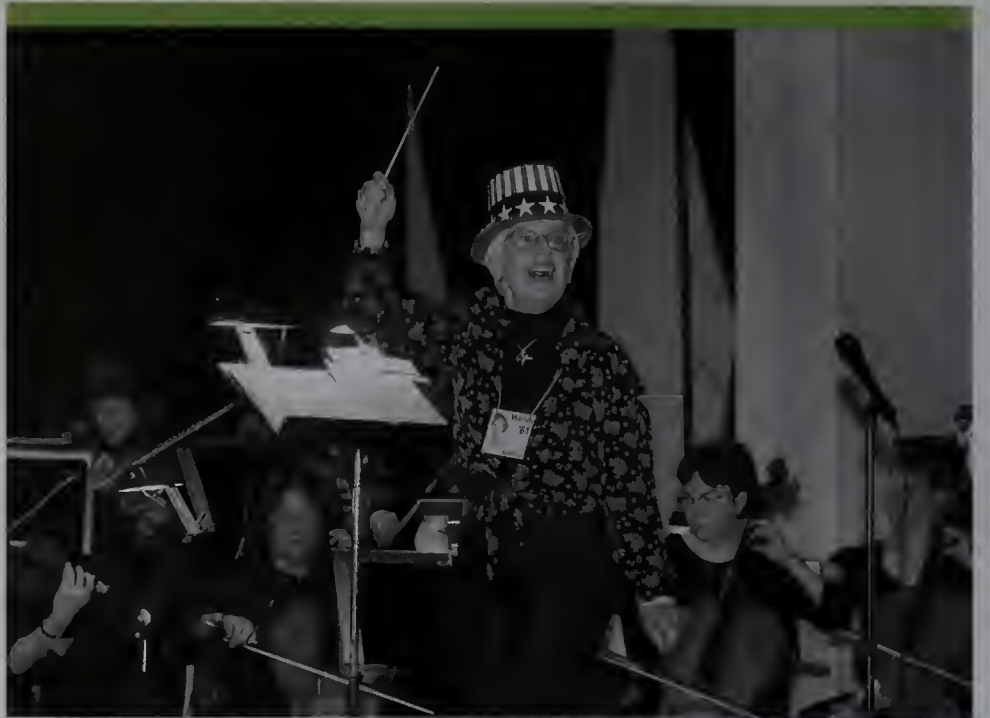


## Alumni Relations

### Alumni Reunion Weekend 2006



Nursing Reunion attendees Mary Murphy Campbell '85 and Ruth Richardson Barnett '77 thoroughly enjoyed catching up.



Wendy Wolfenden '61 was an excellent and lively conductor.



Participants tested their palettes at the wine tasting reception.



President de Witt escorts (L to R) Ruth Keyes Murdaugh '36 and Ruth Upham Petremont '36.



Alumni singers enthusiastically joined the New Philharmonia Orchestra.



The Class of '51 holds on to their hats.



## Alumni Relations



*The Class of '46 made a colorful statement with their parasols.*



*There were many enthusiastic lobster eaters on Saturday night.*



*The Class of '56 applauds loudly during Convocation.*



*Recent graduates celebrate.*

### They Came From Across The Country

## Nursing Reunion a Resounding Success



*Former Director of the Nursing Program, Connie Milner, is flanked by Tish Gura Conroy '55 (l) and Lucinda Nolin Johnson '55/'77(r) who generously co-sponsored the Nursing Reunion.*

From Florida to California and from Virginia to Maine, more than 50 former nursing students returned to the College campus to participate in Lasell's second nursing reunion on May 20, the

Saturday of the 2006 reunion weekend. Everyone was delighted to see special guest Connie Milner, director of the nursing program from 1954 to 1984. Ms. Milner was instrumental in organizing the get-together and she made the three-hour trip from her home in Laconia, NH to be there.

Carol Farquhar Herman '60, who was unable to attend, had this to say about Ms. Milner: "I have thought of her continuously throughout the years. I have her to thank for being my mentor, instructor, and guidance person. I wish I could give her a hug." Pamela Logan McManus '75 wrote, "I was unable to attend but I was there in spirit. I am proud to say that I have never forgotten Connie Milner's lessons, her integrity, and her fine nursing standards."

The two featured speakers were Georgia Fortunato Pasqualone '66/'69 and Mary Murphy Campbell '85. According to Ms. Milner, "Both speakers gave informative and inspiring presentations relating to what they are doing in their practice of nursing today." Tish Gura Conroy '55 and Lucinda Nolin Johnson '55/'77 generously co-sponsored the event.

Always the teacher, Ms. Milner came prepared with her own questions to ask of her former students: What was the most rewarding experience and/or the funniest experience you have had in nursing? What would you like to do in nursing that you have not done? How did the Lasell nursing program help you achieve your goals?

The question most frequently heard that afternoon was, "When can we have another nurses' reunion?!" 🌟



*There was a lot of "catching up" at the Nursing Reunion.*



### Jo-Ann Vojir Massey '51 Receives Lasell Medallion



President de Witt presents the Lasell Medallion to Jo-Ann Vojir Massey '51.

**K**ind, thoughtful, and always positive, Jo-Ann Vojir Massey willingly supports the people and institutions she cares for, and Lasell is indeed fortunate to be one of them. Her concerns are always for others — not for herself. When she broke her leg badly last year, she laughed and said it was lucky it wasn't her head. With her determination, she was better than new way ahead of schedule.

Her quiet ways mask her resolve. "She's the reason I got through Lasell," recalls Ann Van der Veer Bradley, her roommate of 55 years ago. "She told me I could do it. 'If you study, you'll learn,' she said, and she was right. She had firmly decided that I was going to make it to graduation."

Jo-Ann's value of the importance of education is something that she shares with her husband, Dwight, and she has harnessed their energies and directed them in Lasell's direction. Currently Jo-Ann is serving on the Board of Overseers and Dwight is on the Board of Trustees. They are members of the Heritage Society and because of their belief in the affordability of education, they have endowed the Jo-Ann Vojir/Anna Vojir Scholarship Fund.

Gracious hosts, they have always been willing to open their homes in New Jersey and Florida for alumni events. Jo-Ann's warmth permeates these get-togethers and she has used her

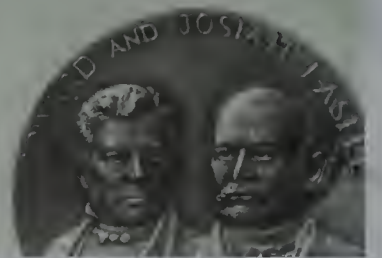
organizational talents to bring classmates together at informal reunions. She is a person who keeps in touch.

Jo-Ann has managed to give of her time while leading an extremely busy life that centers around her family, which includes a son, daughter, and five grandsons. She and Dwight lived in London for two and a half years and have friends from around the globe. This has made them ardent travelers but Jo-Ann has remained actively involved with her home church and the New Jersey YMCA. She is a trustee on the Scholarship Trust Committee of the Woman's Club of Ridgewood, New Jersey.

The College is proud to have the support of a woman who is so dedicated to her principles. 🌟

### Call for nominations for Lasell Medallion

Each year a committee appointed by the Alumni Association's Board of Management selects individuals to receive the Lasell Medallion. The bronze award may be presented to "any member of the Lasell family who, by virtue of distinguished service to the College or society at large, has brought added honor to the name Lasell." Nominations for the 2007 award, which will be presented at Reunion Convocation on May 19, should be sent to the Office of Alumni Relations.



### Reunion Seminars Prove to Be a Popular Draw

**I**n an energizing double-header of seminars tailored especially for Reunion Weekend, Ruth Shuman, dean for Institutional Advancement, and Richard Dodds, Jr., director of the RoseMary B. Fuss Technology for Learning Center, and Assistant Professor of Information Technology, offered enthusiastic alumni and their families a fascinating and interactive exploration of people-to-people networking and new classroom technology. The events took place on Saturday, May 20th.

Dean Shuman began by offering seminar attendees what she calls "Shameless Networking," an entertaining how-to guide to expanding one's personal sphere of acquaintances who can help you get a job or accomplish a new goal.

The networking presentation was adapted to the new, interactive classroom performance system which Richard Dodds uses to gauge students knowledge and their ability to follow a lesson with a quick click of an infrared button.

"Dream," Ruth encouraged. "Make a list of people you want to know and work on getting through to them by following up on every lead. 'Identify and utilize your personal 'circle of influ-

ence,'" she said, "People around you want to help you with your career or business goals, they just don't know it yet. Find a mentor."

Following Ruth Shuman's presentation, Richard Dodds gave a detailed demonstration of the new Classroom Performance System by eInstruction.

No more paper quizzes, thank you. Now, with the Classroom Performance System (CPS), Richard Dodds can give a pop quiz that's actually engaging and fun, and also provides feedback to let him know if he needs to spend more time on a topic or if he's spending too much time on a subject his students already understand.

CPS identifies the strengths and weaknesses of Lasell students, and also helps pace professors as they go through their curriculum. For students and their professors, CPS is a wonderful way to measure classroom learning.

The system, which is bundled together with a computer and a classroom projector, allows professors to present a set of questions that can be beamed onto a screen and then answered by students using the pads at their desks.

"The system allows professors to automate the attendance-taking process, and serves as an electronic grade book," explains Dodds. It has applications for all kinds of classes and uses and can work wonders as an ice breaker to start discussions on controversial topics.

Responses are anonymous to all but the instructor, so tough, provocative questions can be posed and answered

without peril. "CPS gives us the opportunity to query students in a non-threatening environment, allowing all students to participate — even the shy ones."

Special thanks go to Jean Sargent Lee '49 and Karen Frank '71 for their generous donations which made the purchase of two CPS sets possible. 🌟



The audience, Dean Ruth Shuman, and Professor Richard Dodds all enjoyed themselves at the Reunion seminars.





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## From the President of the Alumni Association

Well, another year has gone by for the Alumni Board of Management. And what a year it was! The biggest transformation was in our fundraising efforts. All of the money we raise goes to benefit the Scholarship Fund. The Alumni Scholarship is awarded each year to a student or students who demonstrate academic achievement, involvement in Lasell and a financial need.

We changed things up a bit this year by focusing on some smaller projects rather than putting all our energy into one event. We hit a rocky start. Our plan to sell concessions during Family & Friends Weekend was a washout — literally, thanks to Mother Nature. But we quickly bounced back and participated in a great fundraising idea called “Evening of Giving.” It was sponsored by some of the local malls and it allowed us to sell tickets for an exclusive night of shopping. The great benefit was that it took place right before Thanksgiving — a perfect chance to get a head start on that holiday shopping!

We’ll be looking to do this event again in 2006, so be on the lookout for the opportunity to purchase tickets.

The third project (and most lucrative) was our Theme Basket Raffle. Anyone who attended Reunion 2006 had the opportunity to see the beautiful, creative baskets first hand. There were 17 baskets ranging from Red Sox paraphernalia to Family Night, complete with board games and snacks. The baskets were donated by members of the board of management, staff of the college and we even had members of the Cabinet participating. Many thanks to all who participated and helped raise money for our scholarship.

But it’s not all play and no work. Changes were also made to the Bylaws this year. This was a huge undertaking, but very necessary. I won’t bore you with all the technical wording but I look forward to the changes and hope they strengthen the dedication of the board members.



As I look to the year ahead, I know it will be a busy one. The board has many new members, which is wonderful. I know there will be fresh ideas and new insights.

The College is preparing to say goodbye to its fearless leader, President Tom de Witt, as he retires after 19 years. As they say, the only thing you can count on in life is change.

‘Til next time...

*Patti Beck Bishop*

Patti Beck Bishop, Class of '97

## Winners of the First Annual Theme Basket Raffle

The Alumni Association sponsored “FUNDRAISING BASKETS” on Reunion Weekend and the proceeds (over \$1,800) went to the Alumni Student Scholarship Fund.



| Basket        | Donors                                                                                                                      | Winner                    | Basket        | Donors                                                                                    | Winner                    |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Rainy Day     | Emily Alter, Cathy Black, Karen Gill, Jeanne Johnsen '72, Noni Linton, Jenn Marvel, Joan McGrath, Phyllis Taylor, Fran Weil | Sue Halewood Crosby '67   | Coffee/Tea    | Patti Beck Bishop '97                                                                     | Sally Andrews             |
| Kitchen Sink  | Ruth Shuman                                                                                                                 | Kaye Mackler Aronson '56  | Tea Time      | Urit Chaimovitz '98, Ann Mignosa '87, Gloria Drulie Schluntz '50, Marsha Keyes Tucker '64 | Cynthia Porter Horton '51 |
| Red Sox       | Jim and Chris Ostrow                                                                                                        | Matt Lane                 | Candles       | Nancy Van Deusen Connor '57, Jacqueline Paulding Hauser '50, Barbara Stickle Mode '47     | Kathy Morgan Lucey '67    |
| Flower/Garden | Sharon Carley Fitts '62, Nancy Goodale '66, Kathy Morgan Lucey '67, Lynn Blodgett Williamson '46                            | Unknown                   | Wine          | Gretta Arnold and Kate O'Connor                                                           | Joyce Bliss Doyle '56     |
| Barbecue Time | Betsey Shurtleff Winter '70                                                                                                 | Joan McDonald Delmore '56 | Int'l Cooking | Sodexo Campus Services                                                                    | Paula Panchuck            |
| Baby          | Debbie Lestch '95, Joy Stewart Rice '55, Linda Telfer '60                                                                   | Marsha Keyes Tucker '64   | Berkshires    | Diane Austin                                                                              | Unknown                   |
| Shoes         | Elaine Goldman '74                                                                                                          | Marge Beck                | Scrapbook     | Anonymous                                                                                 | Sally Quicke Reiss '56    |
| Seashells     | Paula Panchuck                                                                                                              | Barbara Caron MacLean '66 | Spa           | Aimee Abdalla '00, Erin Andrews '00, Jessica Anthony '98, Joanna Winslow '01              | Christen Pepetto          |
| Family Night  | Patti Beck Bishop '97, Nancy Curtis Grellier '49, Jarrod VanDerwerken '04                                                   | Karen Manchon Frank '71   |               |                                                                                           |                           |



## Annual Fund

### Welcome to Michelle Walmsley: Director of Annual Giving



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**M**ichelle began as the new Annual Giving Director at Lasell in mid-July. She is looking forward to taking on the new challenge and sees many exciting opportunities ahead.

"As a student, I was involved in the alumni development side of everything," she says of her undergraduate years at Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA. "I really enjoyed it. I still support the school. My experiences there woke me up to the fact that this work is really important and satisfying — not simply for the institution, but for the alumni who have spent their formative years at their institutions of higher learning."

"I know what the alumni connection can do to make an institution better. I see how proud alumni are to be part of an institution that has come so far. I've experienced it firsthand and, transfer-

ring that experience to my work at Lasell is something I'm happy to bring along."

She continues, "A lot of people feel the connection with their alma mater, and it's really special to be in a role in which you can help nurture that connection and remind them of what Lasell has meant to them."

Michelle talks about two major challenges she faces. "Lasell is very tuition dependent, and relies heavily on the Annual Fund to support the operating budget. Additionally, the College depends on the level of alumni participation, not only to raise funds, but to show corporations and foundations that the College is supported by its constituencies thereby demonstrating its worthiness of corporate and foundation support."

"My goal is to bring Lasell to the next level," says Michelle. "We're going to bring in over \$600,000 this year, and from there we'll keep moving onward and upward."

Getting to know key alumni and donors is at the top of her agenda, and she will be making contact with people to say hello, let people know how much the College has changed and matured, and encourage support of Lasell.

"I'm here for a reason," she says enthusiastically. "I already feel vested in the institution and the job," she proclaims. "I think I can make a difference here by being resourceful and creative." ♥

### From Noni Linton: Another Successful Year

**T**hanks to the 2,710 generous donors who gave to the 2005-2006 Annual Fund, the total exceeded the \$580,000 goal by a comfortable margin, raising a total of \$586,109. This is an all-time high for the Annual Fund, Lasell College's vital fundraising effort.

One highlight of the year was the Class of 1951 Anonymous Challenge. In honor of her 55th Lasell reunion, a member of the class of 1951, who wishes to remain anonymous, challenged her classmates to contribute \$550 each. She was willing to match ten such gifts with her personal gift of \$5500. The challenge brought in more than \$6,000 additional dollars for the Class of 1951 Reunion Gift to Lasell.

These gifts, and all gifts to the Annual Fund, provide immediate funds for every segment of the College, from academics to athletics, library resources to maintenance of the entire campus, and very important support for student financial aid. To the right is a graph depicting the gifts of Lasell's alumni, parents and friends in support of the Annual Fund during the 2005-2006 fiscal year.

As I wrote in my message in the spring issue of "Leaves," I retired this summer and began a new phase in my life. On

July 24, Lasell's new Director of Annual Giving, Michelle Walmsley, took over and started a new chapter for the Lasell College Annual Fund.

Michelle comes to us from Clark University where she spent the last five years working in the Alumni Affairs office and, since 2004, as Senior Assistant Director of the Clark Fund, where she was involved in many of the University's outreach programs, reunion gifts, and recent graduates. She also has a number of credits to her

name including the coveted CASE, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, District I Rising Star, in 2003.

We are pleased to welcome Michelle to the Lasell College Institutional Advancement office team.

*Noni Linton*

Noni Linton,  
Former Director of Annual Giving

### Welcome to Michelle Powers: Assistant Director of Annual Giving



**M**ichelle comes to Lasell from Tufts University's Medford campus in the University Advancement Office. Prior to working at Tufts,

Michelle was a student at Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts where she worked as a student researcher and Annual Fund caller for the Clark Fund.

She graduated in 2005 from Clark University with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Art History and a minor in Women's Studies.

Michelle will be in charge of this year's Lasell Phonathon. She will also assist the Director of Annual Giving in developing the Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Program, Parent Appeals, and the Senior Class Gift Program. She can be reached at (617) 243-2282 or [Mpowers@lasell.edu](mailto:Mpowers@lasell.edu). ♥

#### The Lasell Alumni, Parents and Friends Giving 2005/2006

Athletics  
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Library  
Financial Aid (Scholarships)



The Lasell Annual Fund



## Major Gifts and Planned Giving

### Kay Poore Hamel '49 Portrait



Standing in front of the newly unveiled portrait of Kay Poore Hamel '49 are family members (L to R) David Hamel, John Hamel, Dana Hamel, Karen Simas, and Hillary Hamel.

In June of 1999, Overseer Kathryn Poore Hamel '49 and her husband Dana were on campus in celebration of Kay's 50th Class Reunion from Lasell College. During the "Lasell 150" Campaign, the Hamels gave a generous gift and designated a portion of it to the renovation of the Edwards Student Center. The renovation was completed in the fall of 1999. In recognition of their extraordinary philanthropy, during Kay's Reunion weekend, the President's residence was named "Hamel House."

Sadly, in September 2003, Kay passed away. Last November, the College commissioned New York portrait artist Raymond Olivere to paint a portrait of Kay. During a brief ceremony following the June 2006 Board of Trustee meeting, the portrait of Kay was unveiled. Several of Kay's classmates, members of the Board, and Kay's family were in attendance. The portrait, which hangs in the "morning room" of Hamel House, will be a lasting tribute to Kay for the Lasell community for many generations to come.

## Planned Giving

### Bequests: Leaving a Legacy

We are pleased to continue our series of bequest donor profiles in this edition of *Leaves*. These thoughtful individuals chose to support Lasell by making a provision in their will or trust to support the College at their deaths. Each loved their alma mater and believed in its future. We are grateful for their foresight and generosity.

Our featured donor bequeathed \$45,000 to Lasell. We hope she inspires you to consider bequest support as part of your philanthropic planning. For more information or to request a bequest language handout, please call or e-mail Dean for Institutional Advancement Ruth Shuman at 617.243.2140 or [rshuman@lasell.edu](mailto:rshuman@lasell.edu).



Beatrice "Trixie" V. Kidd Phelps '38  
Originally from Wellesley, MA, Trixie completed the medical secretary program at Lasell.

Although she was a "day hop" (commuting student), she found the time to participate in hockey, student newspaper, and the Glee, Orphean, and Day Student Dramatic Clubs.

After graduation, Trixie worked for several physicians specializing in cardiology, urology, and orthopedics in the Washington, D.C. area. She married Richard Phelps, who served as an organist and Chaplain's assistant of distinction at Ft. Belvoir Army Base in Springfield, VA for 50 years. The Phelps' then relocated to Rye, NH.

Trixie enjoyed reading, traveling, music, the seashore, and sailing. She had a solo quality voice and sang with the Handel and Hayden Society of Boston as well as other choirs and choruses in the Springfield, VA area.

Her cousin Judy Hinds recalls, "Trixie always maintained her bright mind and interests — among them her steadfast respect for the College. Because it was such a financial stretch for her own family to send her to Lasell, it was always important to Trixie to provide scholarship support for other students." Trixie passed away in January 2005 and bequeathed \$45,000 for scholarship support. ♥

### Grellier Field Re-Dedicated



Nancy Curtis Grellier '49 proudly displays her team shirt, which was presented to her at the re-dedication of Grellier Field, on Saturday, April 1st. The new FieldTurf playing surface, which was made possible in part by the generous donation of Nancy and her husband Bill, is being used by the field hockey and lacrosse teams and is much appreciated by the athletes.

The re-dedication was scheduled to coincide with the women's lacrosse match against Western New England College. Prior to the game, the Grelliers were given a loud round of applause by the Lasell Lasers. ♥

### Butterworth Hall



Butterworth Hall.

The Board of Trustees has voted to rename Seminary Suites to Butterworth Hall in honor of Evelyn Suor Butterworth '27, in recognition of her most generous bequest of \$5 million.

"We are deeply grateful to Mrs. Butterworth for her unwavering, long-standing faith in Lasell," says President Thomas E. J. de Witt. "Her philanthropy is a strong and clear vote of confidence for and trust in the College."

Butterworth Hall is part of the Bragdon Quad and stands next to the Campus Center. ♥



Evelyn Suor Butterworth '27.



## Lasell Village Celebrates 6th Anniversary

### Faculty Offers Compelling Look at the Progress of the Village on College Learning Environment

Lasell faculty offered a fascinating look at the impact of Lasell Village on the Lasell College learning environment, determined through research and tracking completed over the six-year life span of the intergenerational campus experiment.

The findings, offered to an auditorium full of Villagers and alumni on May 19, 2006, during reunion and commencement weekend, were presented by professors Steven Bloom, Ph.D., Dennis Frey, Ph.D., Paula Panchuck, Ph.D., and Mark Sciegaj, Ph.D.

Among the findings were that the Village-College integration is unique, the intergenerational contact is a highly desirable feature of our campus-affiliated community, the intergenerational dynamic exists between students and elders as well as between faculty and elders, and the benefits of intergenerational study exceed any challenges the dynamic imposes.

According to Village Dean Paula Panchuck, "Residents have enrolled in 50 Lasell College classes, and more than 50 percent of Village residents have engaged in intergenerational on-site learning activities with College faculty and students or community groups."

Mark Sciegaj, dean of Graduate and Professional Studies, reported that a faculty survey on course-related contact with Lasell Villagers, 36 percent of respondents indicated their main contact with Villagers was students, with 61 percent logging their experiences with elder learners in the classroom as positive and none indicating any negative experience. "Our survey indicated that 95% would encourage future contact," said Mark.

Looking at the dynamics of teaching elder learners, Steven Bloom, dean of Undergraduate Education, found that faculty identified elders as "eager learners, appreciative, very motivated, and going well beyond class expectations." Elders were also seen as having "high regard/respect for their professors."

While there have been some challenges that have bubbled up in the intergenerational mix (i.e., class dynamics — elder students gravitate to the front of larger classrooms and younger students towards the rear, at times segregating the class; some elders dominate the discussion; their level of knowledge/experience can be intimidating to traditional students who might hesitate to disagree; traditional students may



(L to R) Professors Mark Sciegaj, Steven Bloom, and Dennis Frey wait to make their presentations.

"coast"), it was clear that benefits outweighed the challenges.

Elders "provide different perspectives, enhance students' sense of themselves and the world around them, and inspire students to participate, absorb the material, engage faculty, and accept new knowledge."

Humanities Chair and Assistant Professor of History Dennis Frey found

that elders often serve as excellent sources of information that enrich a classroom experience by providing first-person accounts about historical events, social issues, social opportunities and obstacles. "Their experiences do not always conform to written texts and so they prompt students to think more critically."

## Urban Land Institute Includes Lasell Village In New Book Celebrating Housing For Niche Markets

Lasell Village was selected by the Urban Land Institute as one of 14 housing projects throughout the United States to be spotlighted in the organization's new, coffee-table book, "Housing for Niche Markets, Capitalizing on Changing Demographics."

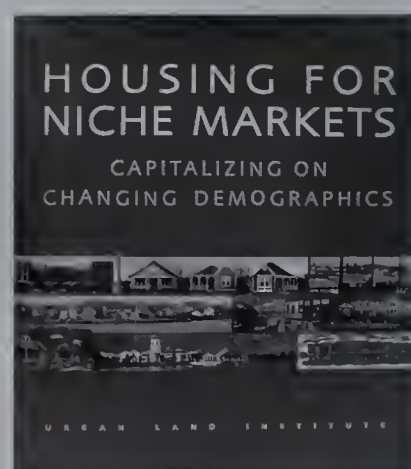
"Today's successful developers are gaining a competitive edge by identifying new market niches and designing and developing precisely for them," says the book's foreword. The book explains the demographic trends, lifestyles, and preferences "that are turning the old predictable housing models upside down — showing what it takes to attract these new market segments."

Illustrated with full color photographs, site plans, and editorial commentary, the book zeroes in on 14 case studies representing a wide variety of project

types and sizes, describing strategies used to develop housing for particular income, age, family composition, and lifestyle niches.

"We are pleased to have been included in this prestigious survey of cutting-edge housing that responds to new market trends and demands," said Thomas E.J. de Witt, president of Lasell College and the individual credited with coming up with the Lasell Village concept of lifelong learning. "We are proud of what we have accomplished at Lasell Village, and happy to share our good news in this informative book."

The Urban Land Institute, located in Washington D.C., is a nonprofit education and research institute that is supported by its members. Its mission is to provide responsible leadership in the use of land in order to enhance the total environment.





## Message from the Athletic Director



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**A** new chapter for the Lasers has begun.

Beginning in the fall of 2007, Lasell College will begin competing in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference. The GNAC announced on May 31st the acceptance of Lasell College, Mount Ida College, and St. Joseph's College of ME as new active members.

Lasell will officially withdraw from the North Atlantic Conference following the '06-07 playing seasons. The Lasers have been a member of the North Atlantic Conference since its inception in 1996, when it was known as the North Atlantic Women's Conference. The conference was re-named in 1999, following Lasell going co-ed and the addition of other co-educational institutions. During this time, Lasell captured three conference championships in men's basketball, two

in women's volleyball, and one each in men's soccer, women's cross country, and softball, for an impressive total of eight.

With the growth of our athletic program and the face of New England conference alignments changing this was the right time for us to make a move. We are excited to be invited for membership into the Great Northeast Athletic Conference and to begin a new chapter in Lasell Athletics. The GNAC is a good fit for Lasell as it will give us a greater presence in the Boston area. We are confident that this affiliation will enhance the overall athletic experience for our student-athletes. We look forward to being a good competitor and an active member of the conference.

The current active members of the GNAC are: Albertus Magnus College (New Haven, CT), Daniel Webster College (Nashua, NH), Emerson College (Boston, MA), Emmanuel College (Boston, MA), Johnson & Wales University (Providence, RI), Norwich University (Northfield, VT), Pine Manor College (Chestnut Hill, MA), Rivier College (Nashua, NH), Saint Joseph College (West Hartford, CT), Simmons College (Boston, MA), Suffolk University (Boston, MA).

Sincerely,

Kristy Walter  
Athletic Director

## Men's Lacrosse

Overall Record: 10-6  
Conference Record: 4-4

**F**or the second consecutive season the men's lacrosse team finished with 10 wins. "We lost a few games that we shouldn't have, but we are happy," says fourth year Head Coach Tim Dunton. "And, we were very pleased to earn a spot in the ECAC tournament for the third time in four years. It was unfortunate that we came up against the number one seed, Keene State, but our team

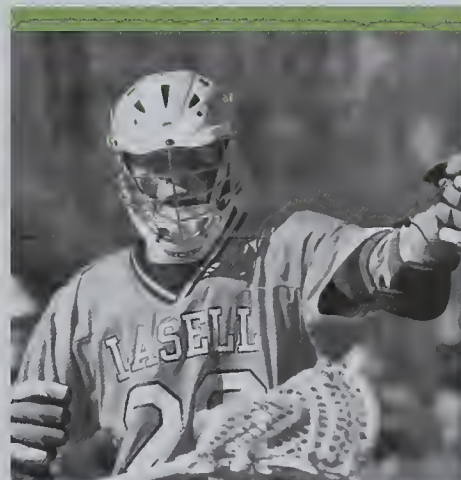
managed to keep the game tied at 5-5 through the first two quarters."

During the season, Louis Lucchetti scored his 100th career goal and was also named to the 2006 Pilgrim Lacrosse League All-Conference First Team. He shared this honor with Kyle Minaker '07, who was also named to the Pilgrim League All-Academic Team. The two were also named to the New England Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (NEILA) East-West Senior

All-Star Game, which was played at Tufts University.

Alex Zayack '07 was named to the Pilgrim League Second Team and he broke the Lasell College career goal scoring record with 109 goals this season.

"With the talent we have returning and a strong rookie class, we should be able to climb the ladder in the New England lacrosse scene," says Coach Dunton. 🍀



Alex Zayack '07 yells encouragement to his teammates.

## Women's Lacrosse

Overall Record: 7-8  
Conference Record: 4-2

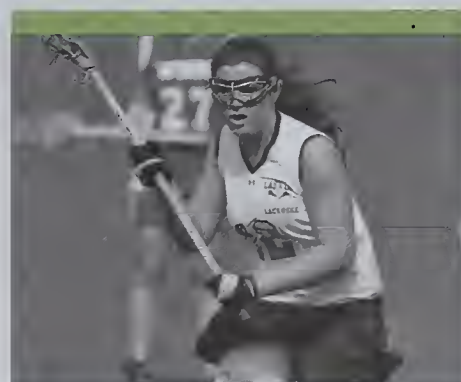
**T**he women's lacrosse team made great strides this season, improving in several categories. Four players contributed 25 or more points and two of the team's losses were by just one goal.

Second year Head Coach Lynne Kirouac was named New England Women's

Lacrosse Alliance Coach of the Year and several of her players also received recognition.

Senior attack player Mandi Rapisardi was named to the All-Conference First Team, scoring 98 goals and 16 assists, which ranked her first in all of NCAA Division III women's lacrosse for goals per game.

Goalkeeper Noelle O'Leary '07 and rookie attack player Caitlyn Murphy '09 were also named to the First Team. O'Leary finished the season with 153 saves and a .489 save percentage, and Murphy scored 53 goals and had 14 assists. Sara Schlegel '07 was named Scholar Athlete of the Year. 🍀



Caitlyn Murphy '09 sprints down the field.

## Softball

Overall Record: 23-17  
Conference Record: 13-5

**I**t was another 20 plus win season for the women's softball team and the Lasers were disappointed to have their streak end in the quarterfinal match of

the North Atlantic Conference against Lesley University.

It was a year of records. Pitcher Amanda Corey '08 went 19-6 on the season, which is the most wins for a pitcher in Lasell history. Heather Rose '09 had the single season record for most stolen bases, and Katlyn Billian had the single season home run record by hitting six.

Senior Wendy Riddle finished her career with a .370 batting average and became the all-time leader for Lasell in both runs scored (126) and stolen bases (53). She was named to the NAC All-Conference Second Team. 🍀



Katlyn Billian '09 behind the plate.



# Sports Lasell College Athletic Calendar for Fall 2006

## Field Hockey 2006

|                |           |                           |            |
|----------------|-----------|---------------------------|------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b> |           |                           |            |
| 5              | Thursday  | @ Univ. of New England    | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 7              | Saturday  | HUSSON COLLEGE*           | 12:00 p.m. |
| 8              | Sunday    | SIMMONS COLLEGE*          | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 14             | Saturday  | @ Elms College*           | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 18             | Wednesday | NICHOLS COLLEGE           | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 20             | Friday    | @ Castleton State College | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 21             | Saturday  | @ Western New England*    | 6:00 p.m.  |
| 26             | Thursday  | SALEM STATE COLLEGE       | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 28             | Saturday  | NAC Quarterfinals         | TBD        |

\*Indicates North Atlantic Conference match

Head Coach: Jessica King (8th year)  
Assistant Coach: Laura Thibodeau (3rd year)  
Goalie Coach: Jess Gonynor (2nd year)

## Men's Soccer 2006

|                 |           |                            |            |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------------------|------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  |           |                            |            |
| 1               | Sunday    | @ UMaine-Farmington*       | 12:00 p.m. |
| 4               | Wednesday | @ Becker College*          | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 7               | Saturday  | MAINE MARITIME ACAD.*      | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 8               | Sunday    | HUSSON COLLEGE*            | 2:30 p.m.  |
| 11              | Wednesday | ELMS COLLEGE*              | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 14              | Saturday  | @ Castleton State College* | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 15              | Sunday    | @ Johnson State College*   | 3:00 p.m.  |
| 18              | Wednesday | LESLEY UNIVERSITY*         | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 21              | Saturday  | MOUNT IDA COLLEGE*         | 2:30 p.m.  |
| 24              | Tuesday   | BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY        | 3:30 p.m.  |
| 28              | Saturday  | NAC Quarterfinal           | TBA        |
| 31              | Tuesday   | NAC Semifinal              | TBA        |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |           |                            |            |
| 4               | Saturday  | NAC Championship           | TBA        |

\*Indicates North Atlantic Conference match

Head Coach: Giovanni Pacini (9th Year)  
Assistant Coach: Ryan Michelangelo (4th Year)  
Goalkeeper Coach: Graig Murphy (2nd Year)  
Manager: Nicole Carbone (3rd year)

## Women's Soccer 2006

|                 |           |                            |            |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------------------|------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  |           |                            |            |
| 1               | Sunday    | @ UMaine-Farmington*       | 2:15 p.m.  |
| 4               | Wednesday | BECKER COLLEGE*            | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 7               | Saturday  | MAINE MARITIME ACAD.*      | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 8               | Sunday    | HUSSON COLLEGE*            | 12:00 p.m. |
| 11              | Wednesday | @ Elms College*            | 4:00 p.m.  |
| 14              | Saturday  | @ Castleton State College* | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 15              | Sunday    | @ Johnson State College*   | 1:00 p.m.  |
| 18              | Wednesday | @ Lesley University*       | 7:30 p.m.  |
| 21              | Saturday  | WHEELLOCK COLLEGE*         | 12:00 p.m. |
| 29              | Sunday    | NAC Quarterfinal           | TBA        |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |           |                            |            |
| 1               | Wednesday | NAC Semifinal              | TBA        |
| 4               | Saturday  | NAC Championship           | TBA        |

\*Indicates North Atlantic Conference match

Head Coach: Lisa McNamara (3rd Year)  
Assistant Coach: Jonathan Keefe (3rd Year)

## Women's Volleyball 2006

|                 |           |                              |             |
|-----------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  |           |                              |             |
| 3               | Tuesday   | @ Eastern Nazarene College   | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 5               | Thursday  | WNEC                         | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 7               | Saturday  | CASTLETON ST. W/ MT. IDA*    | 1:30/3:30   |
| 10              | Tuesday   | RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE         | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 13              | Friday    | UMASS-BOSTON                 | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 14              | Saturday  | @ Wheaton w/ Plymouth State  | TBA         |
| 17              | Tuesday   | ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (ME)    | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 19              | Thursday  | REGIS COLLEGE                | 7:00 p.m.   |
| 21              | Saturday  | @ Thomas/UMaine-Farmington*  | 10:00/12:00 |
| 24              | Tuesday   | @ Brandeis University        | 7:00 p.m.   |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |           |                              |             |
| 1               | Wednesday | NAC Quarterfinal             | TBA         |
| 4               | Saturday  | NAC Semifinal & Championship | TBA         |

\*Indicates North Atlantic Conference match

Head Coach: Mary Tom (10th Year)  
Assistant Coach: Karen Chue (10th Year)

## Men's Basketball 2006-2007

|                 |           |                                   |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |           |                                   |           |
| 17              | Friday    | Tufts Tip-Off Tournament          |           |
|                 |           | Endicott vs. Rhode Island College | 5:00 p.m. |
|                 |           | Lasell vs. Tufts                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| 18              | Saturday  | Tufts Tip-Off Tournament          |           |
|                 |           | Consolation/Championship          | 2/4 p.m.  |
| 29              | Wednesday | UNION COLLEGE                     | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>DECEMBER</b> |           |                                   |           |
| 2               | Saturday  | @ Becker College*                 | 3:00 p.m. |
| 3               | Sunday    | @ Trinity College                 | 2:00 p.m. |
| 6               | Wednesday | @ Babson College                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| 8               | Friday    | CASTLETON ST COLLEGE *            | 8:00 p.m. |
| 9               | Saturday  | JOHNSON ST.*                      | 3:00 p.m. |
| 13              | Wednesday | @ Western Connecticut             | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>JANUARY</b>  |           |                                   |           |
| 6               | Saturday  | @ WPI                             | 7:00 p.m. |
| 9               | Tuesday   | SALEM STATE COLLEGE               | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12              | Friday    | @ Lesley University *             | 8:00 p.m. |
| 16              | Tuesday   | WILLIAMS COLLEGE                  | 8:00 p.m. |
| 18              | Thursday  | @ Mount Ida College*              | 7:00 p.m. |
| 23              | Tuesday   | LESLEY UNIVERSITY*                | 8:00 p.m. |
| 26              | Friday    | @ Johnson St. College*            | 8:00 p.m. |
| 27              | Saturday  | @ Castleton St. College*          | 3:00 p.m. |
| 30              | Tuesday   | ELMS COLLEGE*                     | 8:00 p.m. |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b> |           |                                   |           |
| 2               | Friday    | @ Maine Maritime*                 | 6:00 p.m. |
| 3               | Saturday  | @ Husson College*                 | 2:00 p.m. |
| 6               | Tuesday   | BECKER COLLEGE*                   | 6:00 p.m. |
| 10              | Saturday  | @ Elms College*                   | 1:00 p.m. |
| 13              | Tuesday   | @ MIT                             | 7:00 p.m. |
| 16              | Friday    | UMaine-FARMINGTON*                | 6:00 p.m. |
| 17              | Saturday  | THOMAS*                           | 1:00 p.m. |
| 20              | Tuesday   | NAC Quarterfinals                 | TBA       |
| 25              | Friday    | NAC Semifinals                    | TBA       |
| 26              | Saturday  | NAC Finals                        | TBA       |

\*Indicates North Atlantic Conference match

Head Coach: Aaron Galletta

## Women's Basketball 2006-2007

|                 |          |                                  |           |
|-----------------|----------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |          |                                  |           |
| 17              | Friday   | @ Keene State Tip-Off Tournament |           |
|                 |          | Lasell v. Keene St.              | 3:00 p.m. |
|                 |          | WNEC v. Thomas                   | 5:00 p.m. |
| 18              | Saturday | @ Keene State Tip-Off Tournament |           |
|                 |          | Consolation/Championship         | 1/3 p.m.  |
| 28              | Tuesday  | @ Regis College                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| 30              | Thursday | EMMANUEL COLLEGE                 | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>DECEMBER</b> |          |                                  |           |
| 2               | Saturday | @ Becker College                 | TBA       |
| 8               | Friday   | CASTLETON STATE COLLEGE          | 6:00 p.m. |
| 9               | Saturday | JOHNSON STATE COLLEGE            | 1:00 p.m. |
| 12              | Tuesday  | PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY        | 7:00 p.m. |
| 14              | Thursday | @ Bay Path College               | 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>JANUARY</b>  |          |                                  |           |
| 6               | Saturday | @ Wesleyan University            | 1:00 p.m. |
| 12              | Friday   | @ Lesley University              | 6:00 p.m. |
| 16              | Tuesday  | BAY PATH COLLEGE                 | 6:00 p.m. |
| 18              | Thursday | MT. IDA COLLEGE                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| 23              | Tuesday  | LESLEY UNIVERSITY                | 6:00 p.m. |
| 26              | Friday   | @ Johnson State College          | 6:00 p.m. |
| 27              | Saturday | @ Castleton State College        | 1:00 p.m. |
| 30              | Tuesday  | ELMS COLLEGE                     | 6:00 p.m. |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b> |          |                                  |           |
| 2               | Friday   | @ Maine Maritime Academy         | 8:00 p.m. |
| 3               | Saturday | @ Husson College                 | 4:00 p.m. |
| 6               | Tuesday  | BECKER COLLEGE                   | 8:00 p.m. |
| 8               | Thursday | NEWBURY COLLEGE                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| 10              | Saturday | @ Elms College                   | 3:00 p.m. |
| 13              | Tuesday  | WHEELLOCK COLLEGE                | 7:00 p.m. |
| 16              | Friday   | UMaine-FARMINGTON                | 8:00 p.m. |
| 17              | Saturday | THOMAS COLLEGE                   | 3:00 p.m. |
| 20              | Tuesday  | NAC Quarterfinals                | TBA       |
| 23              | Friday   | NAC Semifinals                   | TBA       |
| 24              | Saturday | NAC Finals                       | TBA       |

Head Coach: Matt Stein (2nd year)  
Assistant Coaches: Angelica Scott (2nd year), Paul Falewicz (2nd year)

## Men's and Women's Cross Country 2006

|                 |          |                                               |               |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  |          |                                               |               |
| 7               | Saturday | Roger Williams Univ. Invitational             |               |
| 13              | Friday   | Saints Invitational (Emmanuel)                | M 4:45/W 4:00 |
| 28              | Saturday | NAC Championships<br>@ Maine Maritime Academy | TBA           |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> |          |                                               |               |
| 4               | Saturday | ECAC Championships                            | TBA           |
| 11              | Saturday | NCAA Regionals<br>@ Springfield College       | TBA           |

Head Coach: Larry Sullivan  
Assistant Coach: James Martin

Listings that appear in capital letters denote home games. Occasionally, due to weather, etc., dates and times may change.

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